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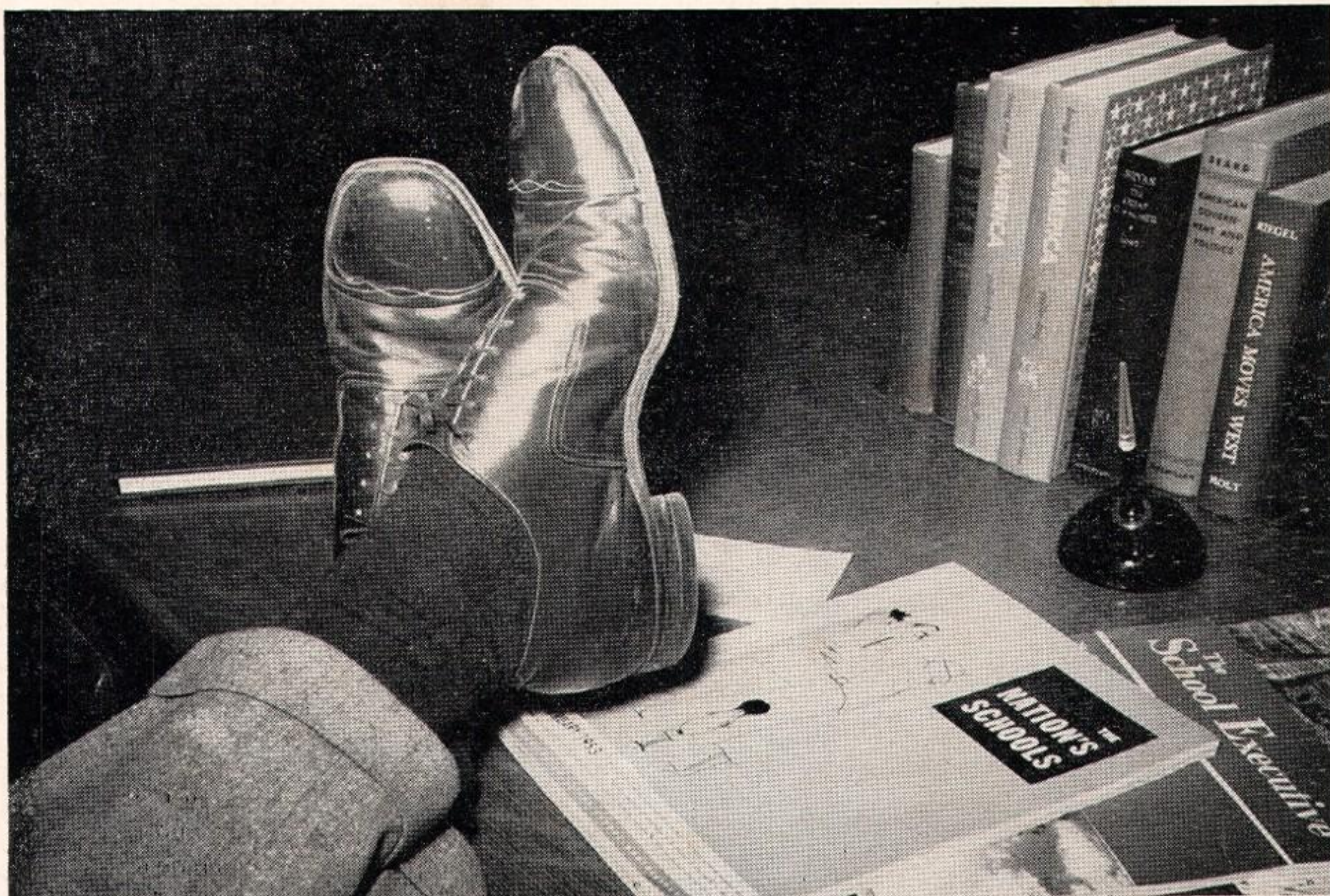


foreword . . .

Paths to the future . . . Where do they lead? We hope these footsteps made during the parade of our past years at Sycohi will lead us to a brighter future. Our administrators and faculty have set fine examples for the students to follow, always searching for knowledge and a brighter way of life. Our footsteps, parallel with the footsteps of former classmates, have led us to many lasting and enduring friendships. Our paths have led up through years of useful and exciting group activities. Our past has led up over the solid ground of education. Now there is a lighted path before us. . . Where will this path lead us?



Administration



"Wear your learning, like your watch, in a private pocket; and do not pull it out, and strike it, merely to show that you have one."

—Lord Chesterfield

Administration



Row 1: Mrs. Miner, Mrs. Willis, Mr. Elliott, Mrs. George. **Row 2:** Mr. Moyers, Mr. Scherer, Mr. Fenstermaker.

Board of Education

The Board of Education is the foundation upon which the success of our school depends. This year the board introduced a bond issue with the purpose of raising funds to complete the building of two grade schools. They also raised the educational fund tax to balance the deficit accumulated in past years.



Big operation

Southeast School

Administration



Arthur Muns

Superintendent

University of Illinois, A. B., B. S.,
M. S.

Columbia University

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Eighth Grade**

Northern Illinois State Teachers
College

University of Chicago
University of Wisconsin

University of Iowa
Whitewater State Teachers College

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University of Illinois, B. S.
University of Wisconsin, M. S.
University of Colorado



Administration

Margaret Adams

English 1, 4
Oberlin College, B.A.
Middlebury College, M.A.
University of Colorado
University of Wisconsin
Northwestern University



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Northern Illinois State
Teachers College, B.S.



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Olivet College, B.S.
University of Illinois, M.S.



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North Central College, B.A.
Vandercook School of Music
Northern Illinois State
Teachers College



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Latin
World History
Wheaton College, B.A.
Northwestern University,
M.A.
University of Colorado



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Foods
Home Making I
Eighth Grade Home Making
North Central College, B.S.



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Seventh Grade
Northern Illinois State
Teachers College, B.S.



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College, B.A.
Northwestern University,
M.A.
University of Illinois
Library Training
University of Iowa



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Chemistry
Physics
General Science
Indiana Central College,
B.A.
University of Iowa, M.A.



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English I
French I, II
Hiram College, B.A.
French Institute of Penn-
sylvania State College,
M.A.



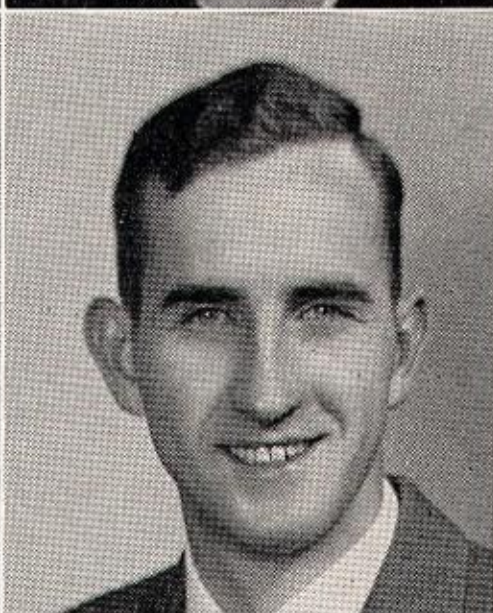
Marietta Hulbert

Bookkeeping
Typing
University of Wisconsin,
B.A.
Ripon College
Gregg College
Whitewater State Teachers
College
University of Colorado



Donald Leslie

Algebra
Plain Geometry
Solid Geometry
Trigonometry
University of Wisconsin,
B. S., M. S.



Charles H. Jessen

General Science
Eighth Grade
Wright Junior College
Northern Illinois State
Teachers College, B.S.
University of Indiana



Robert Lukas

Coach Frosh-Soph
Seventh Grade
La Grange Jr. College
University of Colorado
North Central College, A.B.



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Coach
Jr. High Industrial Arts
Northern Illinois State
Teachers College, B.S.
St. Norberts College
Colorado State, M.A.
University of Colorado



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Coach
Driver-Training Course
Kirksville State Teachers
College
University of Iowa, B.S.,
M.A.
University of Colorado



Administration

Cora Miner

Art
Valparaiso University
Chicago Academy of Fine
Arts
Applied Arts School



Duane Rose

American History
Social Studies
Northern Illinois State
Teachers College, B.S.
University of Illinois, M.A.
University of Michigan



Mary McKinney

English 1, 2
American History
Wisconsin State College
Whitewater, B.S.
University of Wisconsin



Leland Strombom

Industrial Arts
Northern Illinois State
Teachers College, B.A.
Stout Institute, M.A.



Patricia Parker

Girls Physical Education
Health
Driver-Training Course
Northern Illinois State
Teachers College



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Agriculture
Biology
Purdue University, B.S.,
M.S.



Ellen Paterson

Cafeteria
Clothing
Foods
University of Illinois, B.A.
University of Wisconsin
Columbia University



Marilyn Ulrich

Algebra
Practical Math
Biology
University of Wisconsin,
B.S.



Administration

Roger Wennlund

Seventh Grade
Coach
Northern Illinois State
Teachers College, B.S.



Phil Winebrenner

English 2, 3
Illinois College, A.B.
University of Illinois, M.A.



Ward Whittaker

Seventh Grade
Central State College, B.E.
Northwestern University
University of Wisconsin



Madge Brown

Secretary
International College of
Business, Fort Wayne,
Indiana



Sally Stevens

Secretary
Lake Forest College, B. S.

Administration



W. Yunek, Miss Miner.

Artists at work.



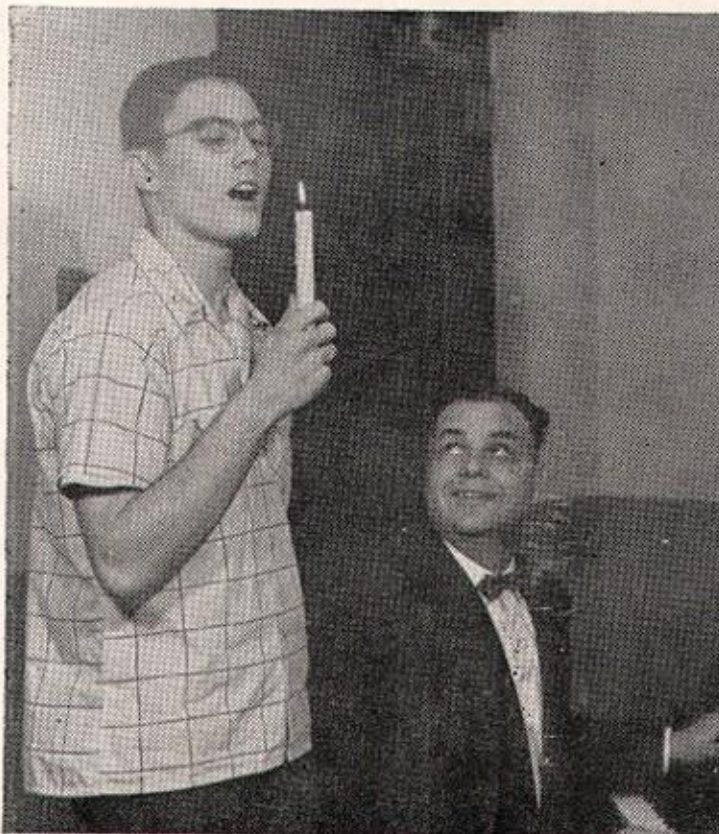
Mr. Rose, Miss McKinney

Busy tonight?

Teacher Casuals

The big blow.

K. Mulligan, Mr. Arnold



Teachers' trio.

Mr. Bodeen, Mr. Wennlund, Miss Bunse



Administration



Mrs. Viner, Mrs. Petersen, Miss Paterson, Miss Lane

CAFETERIA

Kitchen queen

Mrs. Viner



Garbage pail detail

T. Brotcke. M. Sellers, S. George



Administration



Row 1: Robert Taylor, Leon Tengenbohn, Newell Burrows. **Row 2:** Gus Skoot, John Westerbeck, Robert Hudson, Glenn Lindstrom, Arthur Carpenter.

Bus Drivers and Janitors

This year eight bus drivers transport the rural students to and from school every day.

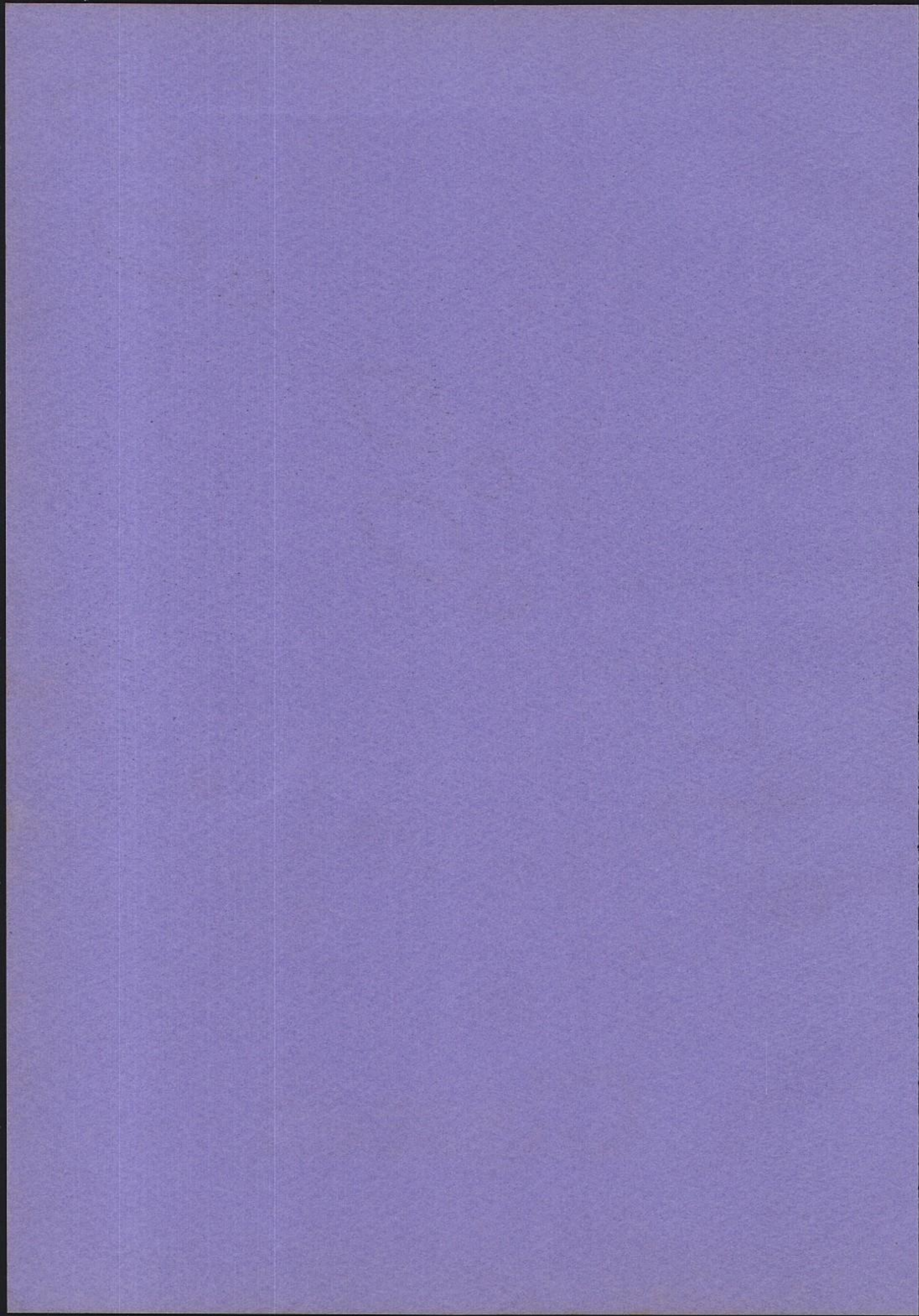
The four excellent janitors maintain the school building and grounds for the benefit of the Sycohi students.

Mr. Sundly, Mr. Rich, Mr. Peplow, Mr. Fox.





Classes





"Learning without thought is useless; thought without learning is dangerous."
—Confucius

Classes



Class Officers

T. Ernest, Miss Adams, J. Lungstrom, V. Willke, R. Thompson

Class Colors

Purple and White

Class Flower

White Rose.

Class Motto

Remember the past; Live the present; Envision the future.

Class of 1953

Dear Sycohi,

How we have waited for this year! What fun it was giving our class play, "The Curious Savage," preparing for our Homecoming Parade, leading our annual snake dance, and having the upper hand in many activities!

At the beginning of the year, the class elected these officers: Terry Ernest, president; Bob Thompson, vice-president; Jean Lungstrom, secretary; Virginia Willke, treasurer. Committee chairmen were selected as follows: Courtesy, Lillian Lungstrom; Cards and Announcements, Jane Ann Evans; Caps and Gowns, Marilyn Saathoff; Class Motto-Flower-Colors, Marlene Buettell; Social, Bonnie Haka and Joe Schmitt; Class Gift, Gerald Benson; Class Day, Dick Hagen.

We have provided leadership through officers in G. A. A.; Pep Club; F. H. A.;

F. F. A.; Spartan Club; Leaves Staff; and Syco-Hi-Lites Staff.

As in previous years, we seniors were honored at the Junior-Senior Prom, held in the gym on May 9, 1953. This occasion will be recorded in memory books as one of the most entrancing evenings of the year.

Our impressive Baccalaureate service was held on Sunday, May 31, with the seniors defying tradition by all wearing blue robes.

We held our Commencement exercises in the gymnasium on June 4, 1953. We departed remembering the past, living the present, and are now envisioning the future.

With loving memories,

THE CLASS OF 1953.



Gerald Benson

A'Cappella 3, 4
Chorus 1, 2
Class Committee 4
Class Officer
Treasurer 3
Class Play Committee 4
Football 2, 3, 4
Intramural 1
Mixed Chorus 3
Music Contest 3, 4
Operetta 2
Spartan Club 4

Delare Carlson

A'Cappella 4
Band 2, 3, 4
Chorus 1, 2
Class Committee 4
Class Play Committee 4
F.H.A. 1, 3, 4
G.A.A. 2, 3, 4
Homecoming Committee 4
Leaves Staff 3, 4
Mixed Chorus 3
Music Contest 2, 3, 4
Pep Club 2, 3, 4

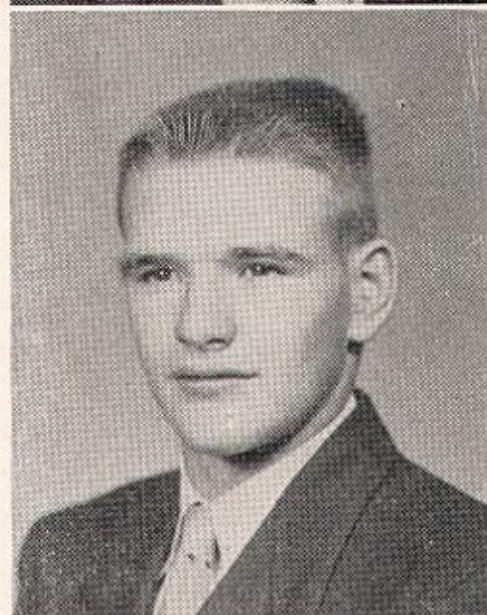
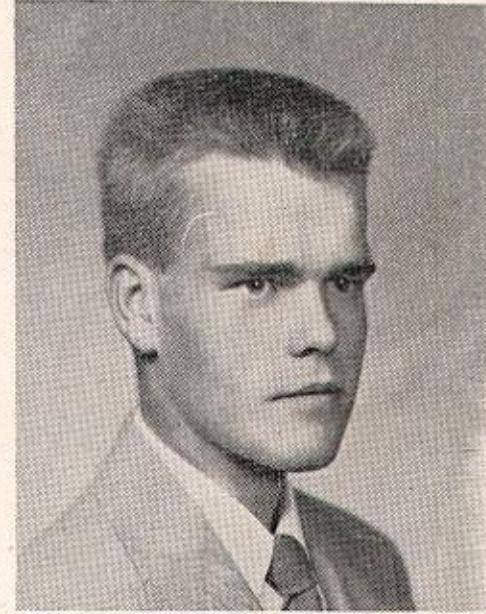


John Bergeson

Newspaper 3

Ronald Carlson

A'Cappella 3, 4
Chorus 1, 2
F.F.A. 1, 2
Football 2
Mixed Chorus 3
Music Contest 3, 4



Franklin Binder

Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4
Football 1, 2, 3, 4
Spartan Club 3, 4
Sgt. at Arms 4
Track 1, 2, 3, 4

Willard Clawson, Jr.

A'Cappella 3
Newspaper 3



Marlene Buettell

A'Cappella 3, 4
Band 1, 2, 3, 4
Student Director 3, 4
Chorus 1, 2
Class Committee 4
Class Play 4
F.H.A. 4
G.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4
Homecoming Committee 4
Leaves Staff 1, 2, 3
Assistant Editor 3
Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3
Music Contest 1, 2, 3, 4
National Honor Society 3, 4
Secretary 4
Newspaper 2
Operetta 2
Pep Club 2, 3, 4

Sharon Coan

A'Cappella 4
Chorus 2, 3
G.A.A. 1, 2, 3
Point Secretary 3
Mixed Chorus 4



Classes



Rollie Collins, Jr.

A'Cappella 4
Class Play 4
Mixed Chorus 3
Music Contest 4

J. Terry Ernest

Band 1, 2
Basketball 2, 3, 4
Class Officer
Vice-President 3
President 4
Class Play 4
Homecoming Committee 4
Music Contest 1, 2
National Honor Society 4
Track 1, 2



Don Dunlap

Bridgeport, Illinois 1, 2, 3
Cheerleader 2, 3
Class Committee 1, 3
Class Officer
President 2
Homecoming Committee
1, 2, 3
Newspaper 1
School Radio Announcer
1, 2
Track 3
Youth Center 3

Jane Ann Evans

A'Cappella 3, 4
Chorus 1, 2
Class Play Committee 4
Class Committee 4
G.A.A. 1, 3, 4
Homecoming Committee 4
Leaves Staff 2, 3, 4
Art Editor 4
Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3
Music Contest 1, 2, 3, 4
Newspaper 2, 3, 4
Operetta 2
Pep Club 2, 3, 4

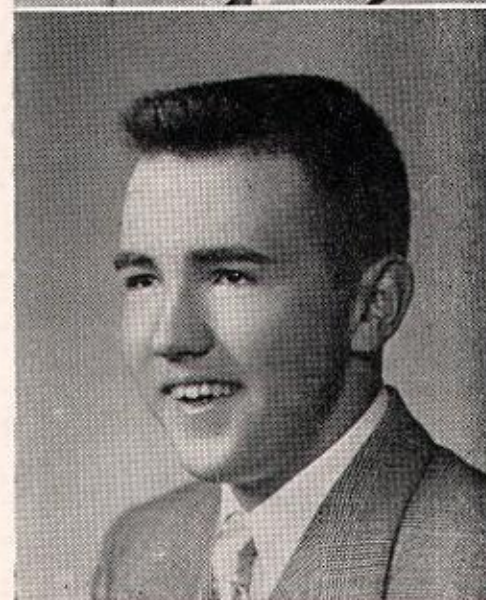


Leonard Ebright

A'Cappella 3
Chorus 1, 2
Music Contest 1, 2, 3, 4
Operetta 2

Lois Evans

Band 1, 2, 3
Chorus 1
Class Committee 4
Class Play Committee 4
F.H.A. 1, 2
G.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4
Secretary 3
Leaves Staff 3, 4
Mixed Chorus 3
Music Contest 1, 2, 3
Newspaper 3, 4
Pep Club 2, 3, 4

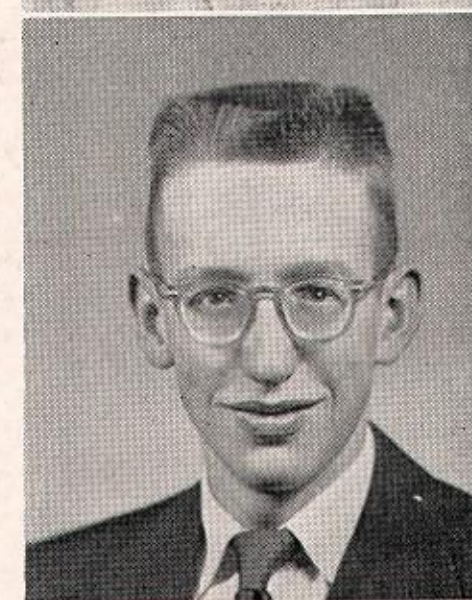


Don Elliott

F.F.A. 4

Lowell Evans

Basketball 2, 3, 4
Class Committee 4
Class Play 4
Football
Manager 3
Homecoming Committee 4
Mixed Chorus 3
Spartan Club 3, 4
Track 2



Classes



Shirley Fraedrich

Class Committee 4
F.H.A. 3, 4
G.A.A. 4
Librarian 2
Pep Club 4

Richard Hardesty

A'Cappella 3
Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4
Class Committee 4
Class Play Committee 4
Football 1, 2, 3, 4
Co-Captain 4
Intramural 1
Mixed Chorus 3
Music Contest 3
National Honor Society 4
Spartan Club 2, 3, 4
Sgt. At Arms 3
Track 2, 3

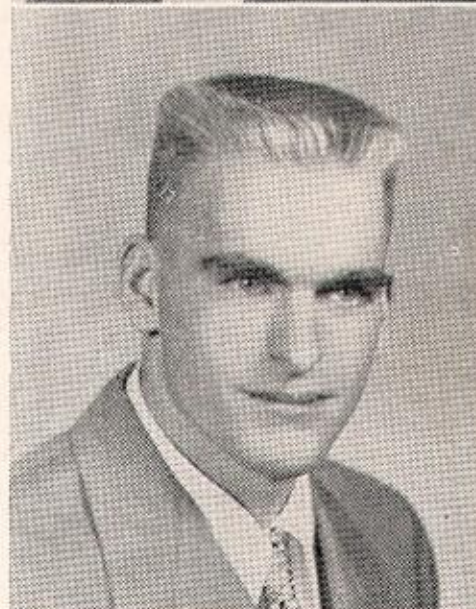


Richard Hagen

A'Cappella 3
Band 1, 2, 3, 4
Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4
Chorus 1
Class Committee 4
Class Officer
President 3
Class Play Committee 4
Football 1, 2, 3, 4
Mixed Chorus 2
Music Contest 1, 2, 3, 4
National Honor Society 4
Vice-President 4
Operetta 2
Spartan Club 2, 3, 4
Sec.-Treas. 4
Track 2, 3, 4

Don Hodge

Basketball 2, 3, 4
Class Committee 4
Class Officer
Secretary 1
Football 1, 2, 3, 4
Spartan Club 2, 3, 4
President 4
Track 1, 2, 3, 4



Bonnie Haka

A'Cappella 2, 3, 4
Band 1, 2, 3, 4
Chorus 1, 2
Class Committee 4
Class Officer
Secretary 2
Class Play
Student Director 4
F.H.A. 4
G.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4
Treasurer 3
Vice-President 4
Homecoming Committee 4
Leaves 1, 2, 3, 4
Literary Editor 4
Mixed Chorus 3
Music Contest 1, 2, 3, 4
National Honor Society 4
Newspaper 2, 3, 4
Operetta 2
Pep Club 2, 3, 4

Naomi Inman

Chorus 1, 2
Class Committee 4
Class Play Committee 4



Richard Hanson

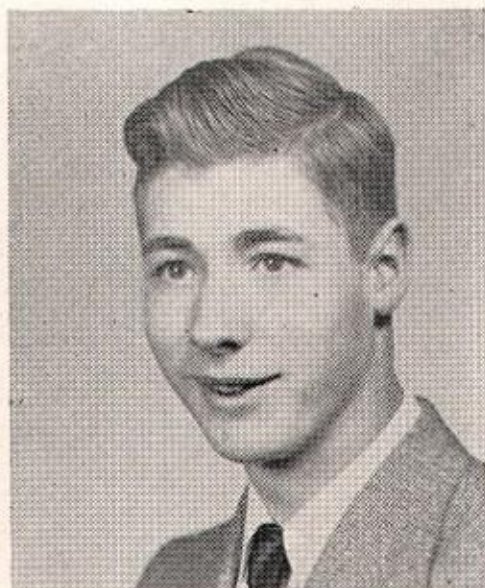
Hillsboro, North Dakota 1
Decorah, Iowa 2
Three Rivers, Michigan 3
Band 1, 2
Basketball 1
Mixed Chorus 1
Music Contest 1

Carol Johnston

A'Cappella 3, 4
Band 1, 2, 3, 4
Chorus 1, 2
Class Committee 4
F.H.A. 1, 3, 4
G.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4
Homecoming Committee 4
Leaves Staff 3, 4
Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3
Music Contest 1, 2, 3, 4
Operetta 2
Pep Club 2, 3, 4



Classes



Jerry Joiner

A'Cappella 3, 4
Chorus 1, 2
Class Committee 4
F.F.A. 2, 3
Mixed Chorus 3
Newspaper 2



John Jordan

A'Cappella 1, 3, 4
Band 1, 2, 3, 4
Secretary 2
Chorus 1, 2
Class Committee 4
Class Play 4
F.F.A. 1, 2, 3, 4
Secretary 3
President 4
Homecoming Committee 4
Mixed Chorus 2, 3
Music Contest 1, 2, 3, 4
National Honor Society 4
Newspaper
News Editor 1
Operetta 2
Track 4



Nira Jean Keller

Mendon, Illinois 1, 2
Sterling High School 3
F.H.A. 1, 2



Marlene Knighton

Band 1, 2
Chorus 1, 2
Class Committee 4
Class Play Committee 4
F.H.A. 1, 2, 3, 4
President 4
G.A.A. 1, 2
Leaves Staff 3, 4
Mixed Chorus 3
Music Contest 1, 2
Pep Club 2, 3

Vivian Kus

Chorus 1, 2
Class Committee 4
Class Play 4
F.H.A. 4
G.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4
Senior Advisor 4
Leaves Staff 1, 2, 3, 4
Newspaper 1, 2
Pep Club 2, 3, 4



Rosalie Lawrence



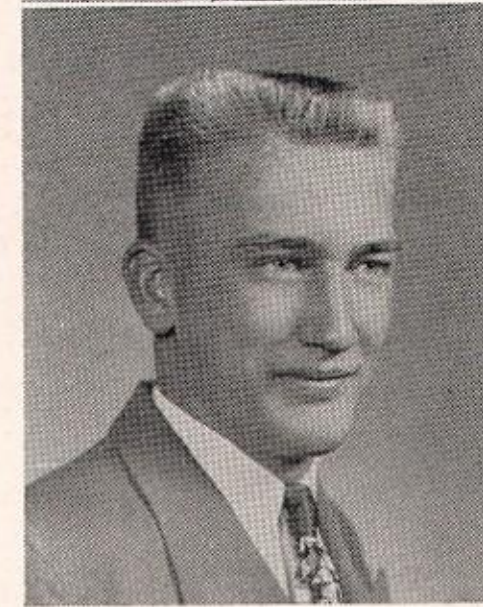
James Lee

Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4
Class Committee 4
Football 1, 2, 4
Mixed Chorus 3
Spartan Club 4



Robert Lenschow

F.F.A. 1, 2, 3, 4
Secretary 4
Football 2, 3, 4
Spartan Club 4



Classes



Diane Lindgren

Band 1, 2
Cheerleader 1
Chorus 1, 2
Class Committee 4
Class Play Committee 4
F.H.A. 1, 2, 3
G.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4
Leaves Staff 1, 2, 3, 4
Music Contest 1, 2
Newspaper 2, 3
Pep Club 2, 3, 4



Connie Loptien

Chorus 1, 2
Leaves Staff 2
Pep Club 2



Jean Lungstrom

Chorus 1, 2
Class Committee 4
Class Officer
Secretary 4
Class Play Committee 4
G.A.A. 2, 3, 4
Pep Club 4



Lillian Lungstrom

Chorus 1, 2
Class Committee 4
Class Officer
Treasurer 1
Class Play Committee 4
G.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4
Secretary 2
President 4
Pep Club 2, 3, 4
Secretary 3

Frank Middleton

A.V.O.C. 4
Class Committee 4
F.F.A. 1, 2, 3, 4
Treasurer 3

Barbara Mundy

A'Cappella 3, 4
Chorus 1, 2
Class Committee 4
Class Play 4
F.H.A. 4
G.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4
Homecoming Committee 4
Leaves Staff 1, 2, 3, 4
Asst. Editor 3
Business Manager 4
Mixed Chorus 3
Music Contest 2, 3, 4
National Honor Society 3, 4
President 4
Newspaper 1, 2, 3, 4
Make-up Editor 2
Pep Club 2, 3, 4



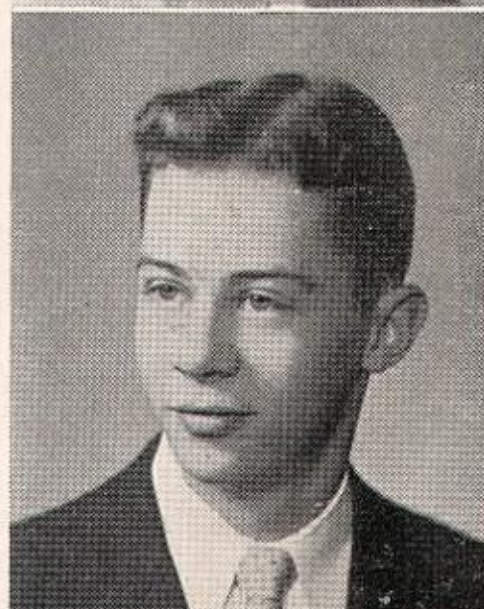
Arthur Muns

Shelbyville, Illinois 1, 2, 3
Band 1, 2, 3
Basketball 1
Class Committee 4
Class Play 3
Class Play Committee 4
Homecoming Committee 2, 3
Music Contest 1, 2, 3
Science Club 2, 3
Student Council 2

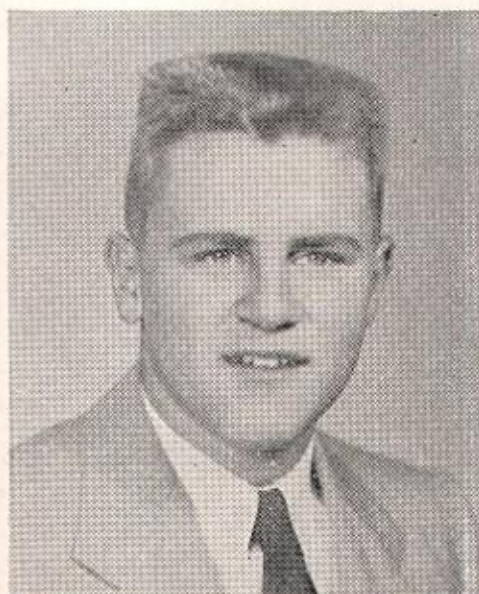


Ethel Myrdal

Oak Park 1
A'Cappella 3, 4
Band 1, 3, 4
Chorus 1
Class Committee 4
Class Play 4
G.A.A. 2, 3, 4
Leaves Staff 2, 3, 4
Mixed Chorus 3
Music Contest 3, 4
Newspaper 4
Pep Club 2, 3, 4



Classes



David Nowlen

Class Committee 4
Football 4
Mixed Chorus 3
Newspaper 1, 2
Spartan Club 4



Ruthie Peplow

A'Cappella 3, 4
Band 3, 4
Cheerleader 2, 3, 4
Chorus 1, 2
Class Committee 4
Class Play Committee 4
G.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4
Homecoming Committee 3, 4
Leaves Staff 3, 4
Asst. Literary Editor 3
Editor 4
Mixed Chorus 2, 3
Music Contest 3, 4
National Honor Society 3, 4
Treasurer 4
Newspaper 2, 3, 4
Asst. Make-up Editor 2
Operetta 2
Pep Club 2, 3, 4



Harold Powell

Maple Park, Illinois
Band 3
Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4

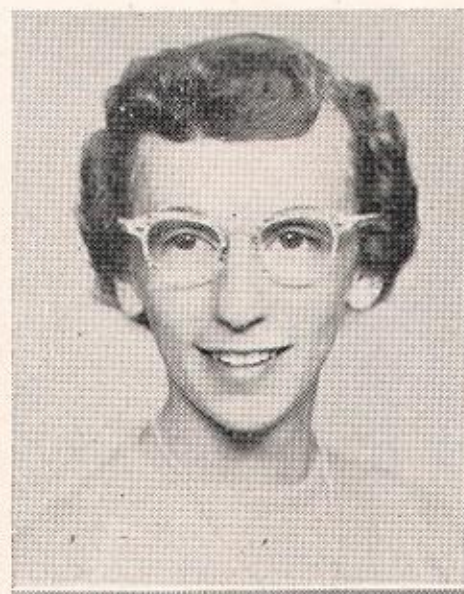


Joe Quinn

Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4
Co-Captain
Class Committee 4
Football 1, 2, 3, 4
Spartan Club 3, 4
Track 1, 2, 3, 4

Mildred Rhodes

Chorus 1
Class Committee 4
Class Play Committee 4



Mary Lou Roberts

Chorus 1, 2
Class Committee 4
Class Play Committee 4
I.H.A. 1, 2
G.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4
Leaves Staff 1, 2, 3, 4
Newspaper 4
Pep Club 2, 3, 4
President 4



Geraldine Rum

A'Cappella 3, 4
Chorus 1, 2, 3
Class Committee 4
Class Play Committee 4
F.H.A. 3
G.A.A. 1
Mixed Chorus 3
Music Contest 2, 3, 4
Newspaper 2
Pep Club 2, 3

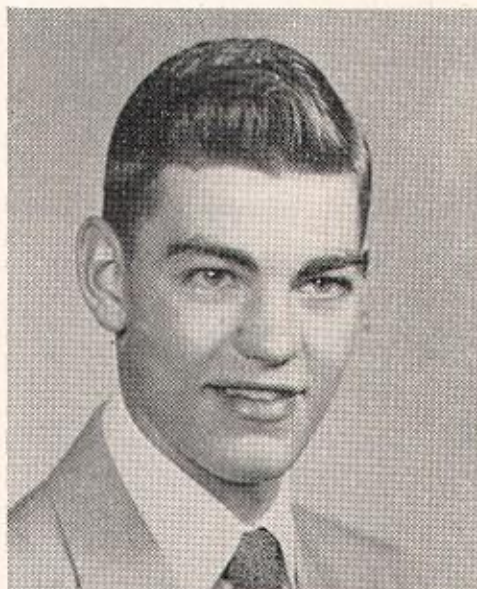


Marilyn Saathoff

A'Cappella 4
Band 1, 2, 3, 4
Cheerleader 4
Chorus 1, 2
Class Committee 4
Class Play Committee 4
G.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4
Homecoming Committee 4
Leaves Staff 3, 4
Mixed Chorus 3
Music Contest 1, 2, 3, 4
Newspaper 3, 4
Make-up Editor 3
Associate Editor 4
Pep Club 2, 3, 4



Classes



Glenn Sallberg

A'Cappella 4
Chorus 1, 2
Football 4
Mixed Chorus 3
Music Contest 4
Spartan Club 4
Track 4

Barbara Smith

A'Cappella 4
Chorus 1, 2, 3
Class Play Committee 4
F.H.A. 3, 4
Mixed Chorus 3
Pep Club 2



Joe Schmitt

A'Cappella 3, 4
Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4
Captain 2
Co-Captain 4
Chorus 1, 2, 3
Class Committee 4
Class Officer
President 1
Treasurer 2
Secretary 3
Football 1, 2, 3, 4
Mixed Chorus 2, 3
Music Contest 2, 3, 4
Newspaper 2, 3, 4
Operetta 2
Spartan Club 3, 4
Track 2, 3, 4

Christine Spartz

A'Cappella 4
Chorus 1, 2
Class Committee 4
F.H.A. 4
G.A.A. 4
Mixed Chorus 3
Pep Club 4

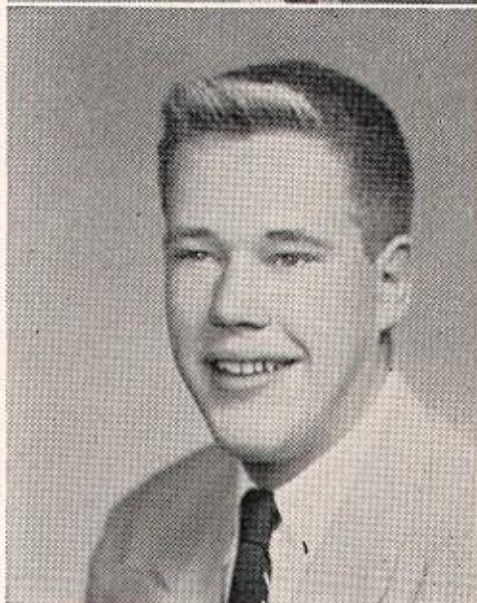


Jack Shrout

Band 1
Basketball
Manager 2, 4
Class Play Committee 4
Football
Manager 2, 3, 4
Intramural 3, 4
Newspaper 2
Spartan Club 2, 3, 4
Track
Manager 2, 3

Jean Stark

Band 1, 2
Chorus 1, 2
Class Committee 4
Class Play Committee 4
F.H.A. 4
G.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4
Leaves Staff 3, 4
Newspaper 4
Pep Club 2, 3, 4



Paul Skelly

A.V.O.C. 2, 3, 4
Secretary-Treasurer 2
President 3, 4
Class Committee 4
Class Play 4
Homecoming Committee 4
Leaves Staff 3
Asst. Business Manager 3

Sally Strain

Chorus 1, 2, 3
Class Committee 4
Class Play Committee 4
F.H.A. 1, 2, 3, 4
G.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4
Leaves Staff 3, 4
Librarian 2, 3, 4
Mixed Chorus 3
Newspaper 1
Pep Club 2, 3, 4



Classes



Donald Stroberg

Basketball 1, 2, 3
Class Committee 4
Cross Country 3
Football
 Manager 1, 2
Intramural 1, 2
Track 1



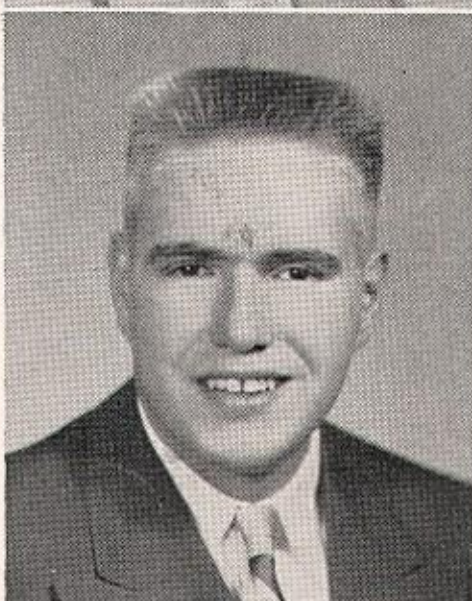
Charlotte Sundly

Band 1
Chorus 1, 2
Class Committee 4
Class Officer
 Vice-President 1
Class Play Committee 4
F.H.A. 1, 2, 3, 4
G.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4
Leaves Staff 3, 4
Music Contest 1
Pep Club 2, 3, 4
 Secretary 4



Richard Tedford

A'Cappella 3
Football 1, 2, 3, 4
 Co-Captain 2
Mixed Chorus 3
Music Contest 3
Spartan Club 3, 4
 Vice-President
Track 2, 3

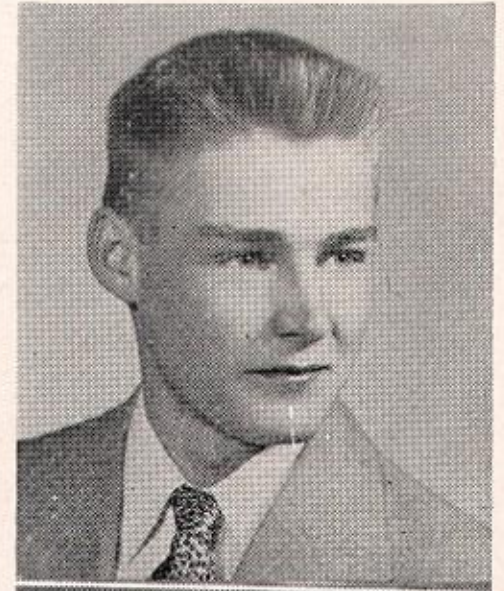


Robert Thompson

Basketball
 Manager 1
Class Officer
 Vice-President 4
Football 1, 2, 3, 4
 Co-Captain 4
Mixed Chorus 3
Spartan Club 2, 3, 4

Richard Tyrrell

A'Cappella 3, 4
Chorus 1
Class Play Committee 4
Football 2
Mixed Chorus 2, 3
Music Contest 3, 4
Operetta 2
Track 2



Nancy Walrod

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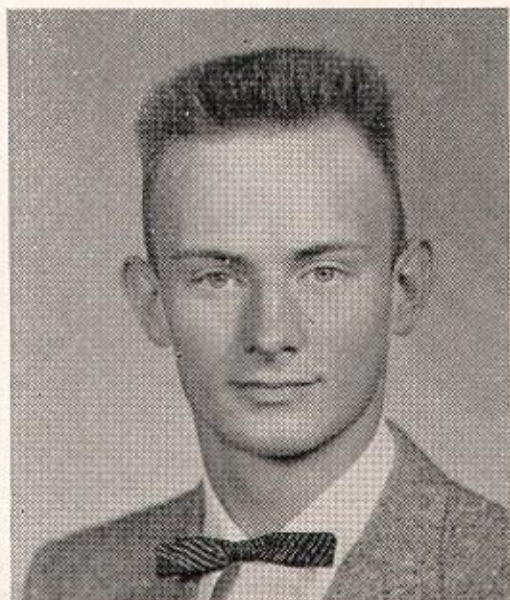
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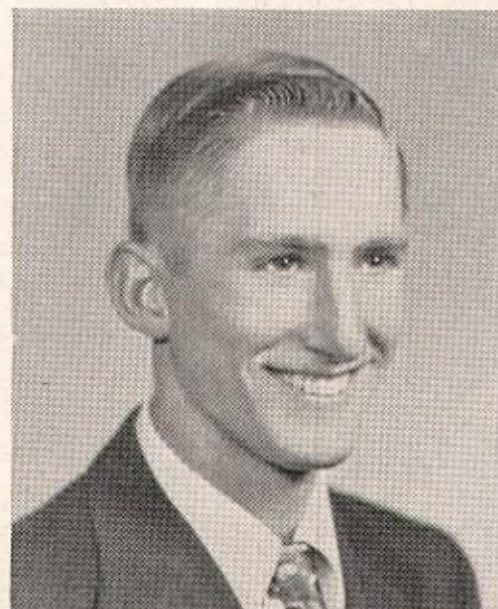
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William Yunek

George Yunker



Memories of '53

The Class of '53 soon parts
To go its many ways,
But every member will recall
His Sycohi school days.

Though we were well subdued at first,
We soon were in a maze
Of studies, sports, and things to do
That left us in a daze.

As our experience increased
And friendships multiplied,
We spent more time on school functions,
Made others step aside.

Music contests, dances, movies,
Basket and football games,
Classes, field trips, assemblies, too,
And many more to name.

Though we've not always taken part
Or done what's rated best,
The contributions that we've made
Have added to the rest.

As we move on and separate,
Our places here are filled
By boys and girls who, like us, strive
Minds and bodies to build.

Our motto: To recall the past;
Rightly to live today;
To hold the vision clear for all
Of a new and brighter way.

—John Jordan

Classes



R. Willis, K. Waller

Copycats?



B. Mundy, B. Thompson

Strings attached

Class Activities

Paddle pull

C. Carlson, J. Mulligan, M. Read



Senior gossips!

J. Schmitt, B. Thompson, D. Hagen,
D. Tedford, T. Ernest



Classes



J. Tucker, P. Cretsinger, J. Lindstrom

Avalanche



F. Brown, C. Mason

Strike one!

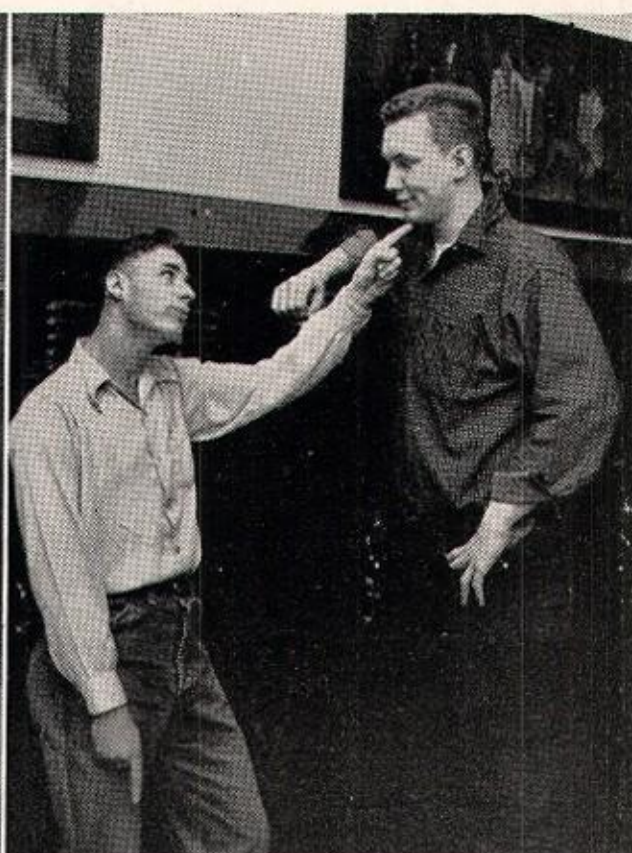
Class Activities

Sweet memories

J. Evans, A. Muns, E. Myrdal

Look here freshie!

J. Joiner, J. Foster



Classes



Class Officers

S. George, J. Swedberg, M. Ells, Miss Hulbert, P. Fillweber

Class of 1954

The juniors, who have long awaited the opportunity to be recognized as upper classmen, have put forth their best efforts throughout the past year in order to merit this distinction. As a symbol of this achievement the juniors displayed

carefully selected class rings which arrived in November.

A spirit of willingness and cooperation among its members was encouraged by the efficiency of the four class officers: Steve George, president; Janice Swedberg,

Row 1: J. Elliott, K. Hinrichsen, P. Burkart, M. Clark, C. Hagen, P. Frautschy. **Row 2:** N. Edwards, S. Hillquist, B. Carlson, J. Erickson, J. Hooker, P. Fillweber, B. Burgart. **Row 3:** S. Etchison, R. Hove, M. Ells, D. Holt, S. Larkin, K. Masterson R. Dodson. **Row 4:** D. Edwards, G. Lalley, B. Horne, B. Helmchen, R. Hoffman, D. Darling, E. Deutsch, J. Kerwin. **Row 5:** T. Brotcke, S. George, R. Frantum, D. Fuller, W. Davis, R. Carlson, R. Johnson.



Classes



Row 1: D. Whitney, R. Winebrenner, N. Van Meter, J. Quinn, J. Yunker, W. Schup-
pner, E. Safford. **Row 2:** K. Waller, N. Parker, J. Thuma, W. Tucker, C. Vanderbeek,
S. Mundy, M. Rhodes. **Row 3:** B. Scherer, A. Smith, M. Weaver, P. Ruess, S. McMil-
lan, R. Read, R. Maveus, K. Lashbrook. **Row 4:** M. Sellers, D. Remala, J. Remala,
P. Reh, R. Willis, J. Swedberg, J. Rogers. **Row 5:** R. Ott, J. Merchant, R. Matteson,
D. Matteson, H. Trapp, L. Powell, K. Mulligan, J. Spoor.

vice president; Mary Ells, secretary; Pat Fillweber, treasurer and Miss Marietta Hulbert, class sponsor.

Many members of the junior class have participated in the various school activities and as a result of their efforts they have received recognition awards in

sports, music, publications, speech, and social activities.

This memorable year closed with the annual Junior-Senior prom sponsored by the juniors. The chosen theme "Orchids To You" along with the gay atmosphere made the year complete.



Symbol for the future

L. Powell, P. Fillweber

Classes



Row 1: T. Anding, M. Carpenter, H. Campbell, S. Dinsmore, L. Coan, R. Ferguson, B. Heimerdinger, G. Brooks. **Row 2:** L. Drake, B. Davis, R. Bickford, D. Coan, L. Doty, D. Astling, N. Divine, D. Buffington, P. Henigan, C. Craigen. **Row 3:** B. Hodge, M. Clarner, C. Conlin, G. Edwards, M. Fox, J. Ecklund, R. Garbbert, N. Coan, S. Elliott, D. Gray. **Row 4:** R. Munson, H. Anderson, J. Arison, S. Carlson, M. Hall, L. Harlan, C. Clark, A. Danielson, E. Gray, M. Goch. **Row 5:** L. Gustafson, J. Farmer, G. Elliott, R. Butzow, L. Garland, E. Astling, R. Boyle, L. Glazer, K. Dunmore, E. Hansen.

Class of 1955

The sophomore class jumped vigorously and whole-heartedly from their shy "watch what you're doing" freshman year into their new role as scholars and energetic workers in extra-curricular ac-

tivities. Guided by Alice Tedford, president; Glen Johnson, vice-president; David Wirsing, secretary; Nancy Lockwood, treasurer our classmates made the grade in each effort put forth.

Watch that stuff!

E. Sharp, D. Hall, J. Olson, Mr. Terrell, N. Cone, E. Gray



Classes

Class Officers

Row 1: N. Lockwood, A. Tedford, D. Wirsing. **Row 2:** G. Johnson, Miss Billet.



G.A.A., F.F.A., F.H.A., Pep Club, and Newspaper Staff all had our class behind them. Also the sport departments had our boys giving them a big lift and our cheerleaders boosting morale.

So you see, we're a capable group of boys and girls who are prepared to trample the ground in a more extensive area next year.

Row 1: D. Tucker, Miss Billet, R. Larson, L. Ross, W. Lenschow, M. Johnson, H. Kellogg, L. Hoffman. **Row 2:** R. Lahti, M. Strong, E. Sharp, J. Housewert, J. Oleson, R. Kessen, R. Munson, L. Mathey, C. Quitno. **Row 3:** N. Lockwood, C. Primm, T. Joslyn, D. Wirsing, R. Wales, C. Lalley, L. Sawvell, P. Pulliam, A. Jackson. **Row 4:** M. Jenkins, S. Wessels, L. Mirotznik, E. Lee, J. Lloyd, A. Tedford, D. Synnott, L. Johnson, S. Parker. **Row 5:** J. Thomas, J. Racich, K. Raymond, G. Holland, R. Lindgren, G. Johnson, B. Swanson, R. Minnihan.



Classes



Class Officers

Row 1: J. Campbell, J. Florent. Row 2: B. Fredrick, Miss Paterson, J. Dunmore.

Class of '56

We started our first year at Sycohi by electing the following officers: John Dunmore, president; John Florent, vice-president; Juanita Campbell, secretary; and Robert Fredrick, treasurer.

Both the boys and the girls were active in sports and organizations. The boys participated in football, basketball, track, F. F. A., Visual Aids, and chorus. The girls could not be out done, so a few

Row 1: J. Foster, M. Burkart, R. Fredrick, R. Bergquist, L. Astling, P. Crosby, J. Campbell, C. Albrecht. **Row 2:** J. Florent, R. Fleetwood, R. Bowman, K. Hilstrom, S. Gustafson, D. Arneson, J. Carlson, B. Fraedrich, E. Senson, A. Buzzell. **Row 3:** M. Elliott, P. Eggers, R. Anderson, D. Frantum, D. Carey, N. Hardesty, P. Gorbet, H. Campbell, R. Cornwall, K. Carlson. **Row 4:** P. Cretsinger, J. Henry, D. Becker E. Hall, S. Davis, P. Baker, P. Carlson, A. Cudden, A. Coan, F. Blade, J. Erlewine. **Row 5:** D. Drenckpohl, J. Dunmore, R. Henigan, L. Edwards, C. Campbell, G. Behler, J. Denby, M. Crosby, J. Elliott, J. Clark, C. Gibbens.



Classes



Row 1: E. Troutman, B. Lindgren, J. Lindstrom, G. Thomas, L. Lloyd G. Holland, G. Thomas, P. O'Connor, I. Shott, C. Sibley. **Row 2:** N. Reh, G. McMillan, K. Leinauer, N. Sabel, S. McCall, M. Plucinski, L. Hindenburg, N. Niewold, C. Stroberg, N. Martin, D. Lee, J. Mabel. **Row 3:** G. Matteson, I. Wilson, E. Jolly, K. Olson, C. Wilkin, B. Miller, M. Jennings, M. Hubbard, A. Kuntz, S. Middleton, G. Johnson, D. Hodge. **Row 4:** F. Sibley, L. Maveus, E. Miller, K. Swanson, O. Vandeburg, R. Quigley, M. Johnston, J. Holcomb, K. Parsons, D. Warner, R. Muns, J. Kerwin. **Row 5:** F. Mason, I. Jones, R. Ott, D. Inman, R. Salemi, F. Worden, H. Peplow, J. Tucker, K. Yunek, G. Jeffries, R. See, D. Smith.

joined the cheerleading squad, which spurred the teams on to victory. They also took part in G. A. A., F. H. A., Pep Club, newspaper, and chorus.

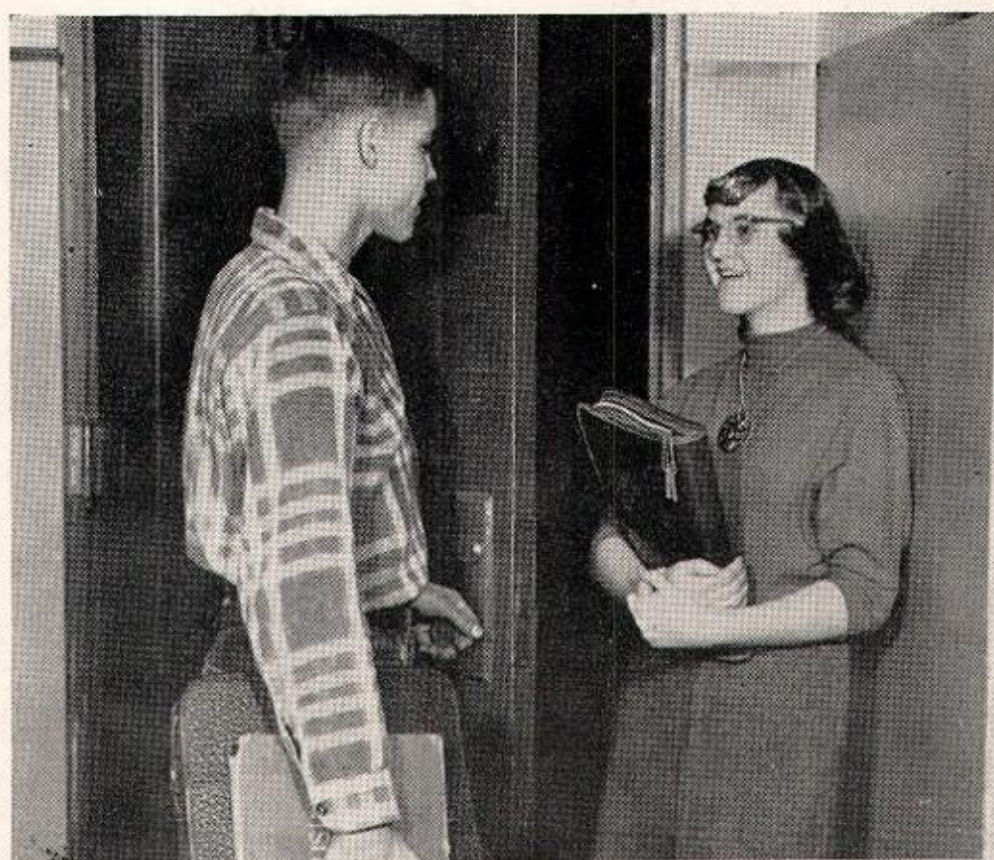
The many dances held this year, espec-

ially the G. A. A. dance, were a new and exciting experience for us.

We will always remember our first year at Sycohi!

"After hour stuff"

F. Sibley, N. Reh



Classes



Row 1: H. Brasel, P. Coultrip, L. Bowman, M. Carter, G. Johnson, P. Johnson, H. Brust, C. Carlson. **Row 2:** W. Collins, D. Coan, S. Johnson, E. Cooke, R. Jolly, C. Hendron, K. Gooch, H. Elliott, P. Craigen. **Row 3:** R. Binder, E. Drake, D. Gould, D. Coy, B. Anderson, J. Joiner, L. Harazin, R. Anderson, J. Hasty, D. Anderson. **Row 4:** J. Howe, R. Brown, S. Erlewine, B. Fraunberg, L. Bergeson, J. Craig, J. Freeman, M. Franking, B. Cady, J. Glen. **Row 5:** J. Joiner, J. Buck, M. Carter, E. Gaul, R. Johnson, W. Johnson, H. Inman, S. Anding, P. Bromeland, D. Fox.

Class of '57

In the homerooms of Miss Christian, Mr. Jessen, and Mr. Bolen, the eighth grade finished a very happy and successful year.

The class officers for the year were: Larry Linden, president; Betty Cary, vice-president; Kathy Gooch, secretary; and Rod Robinson, treasurer.

The basketball dance on April 10th, and the class dance on May 8th were both

held in the gaily decorated cafeteria with refreshments and entertaining programs. Both dances were special highlights of the school year.

Our spring concert on May 7th in the gym featured band selections, music groups by the band members, and the mixed chorus.

As freshmen-to-be we look forward to high school.

What's the answer?

K. Gooch, P. Craigen



Class Officers

B. Cady, Miss Christian, K. Gooch,
R. Robinson, L. Linden



We shall hope to take a big part in the athletic, musical, social and other activities of the school. We hope also that sev-

eral shall become members of the Honor Society and help to provide leadership for the classes which follow us.

Row 1: J. Loescher, S. Larson, S. Watson, S. Safford, M. Sederberg, R. Lahti, N. Stearns, P. Maness. **Row 2:** M. Read, S. Tucker, L. Reingardt, L. Parsons, E. Rhodes, D. Ross, M. Robinson, L. Linden, D. Sawvell. **Row 3:** R. Reingardt, J. Tomlinson, P. Maveus, A. Quitno, J. Mulligan, B. Smith, R. Snyder, R. Keller, G. Kitchen, R. Marshall. **Row 4:** C. Perry, F. Petrie, J. Pulliam, A. McGuire, M. McMillan, J. Martin, S. Sibley, C. Mowry, C. Mason, N. Reingardt. **Row 5:** B. Luecht, B. Reinken, S. Kempton, S. Petrie, H. Wilkin, R. Lahti, J. Peterson, S. Larson.



Classes



Class Officers

J. Thuma, Mr. Bodeen, M. Willis,
C. Hodge, J. Swedberg

Class of '58

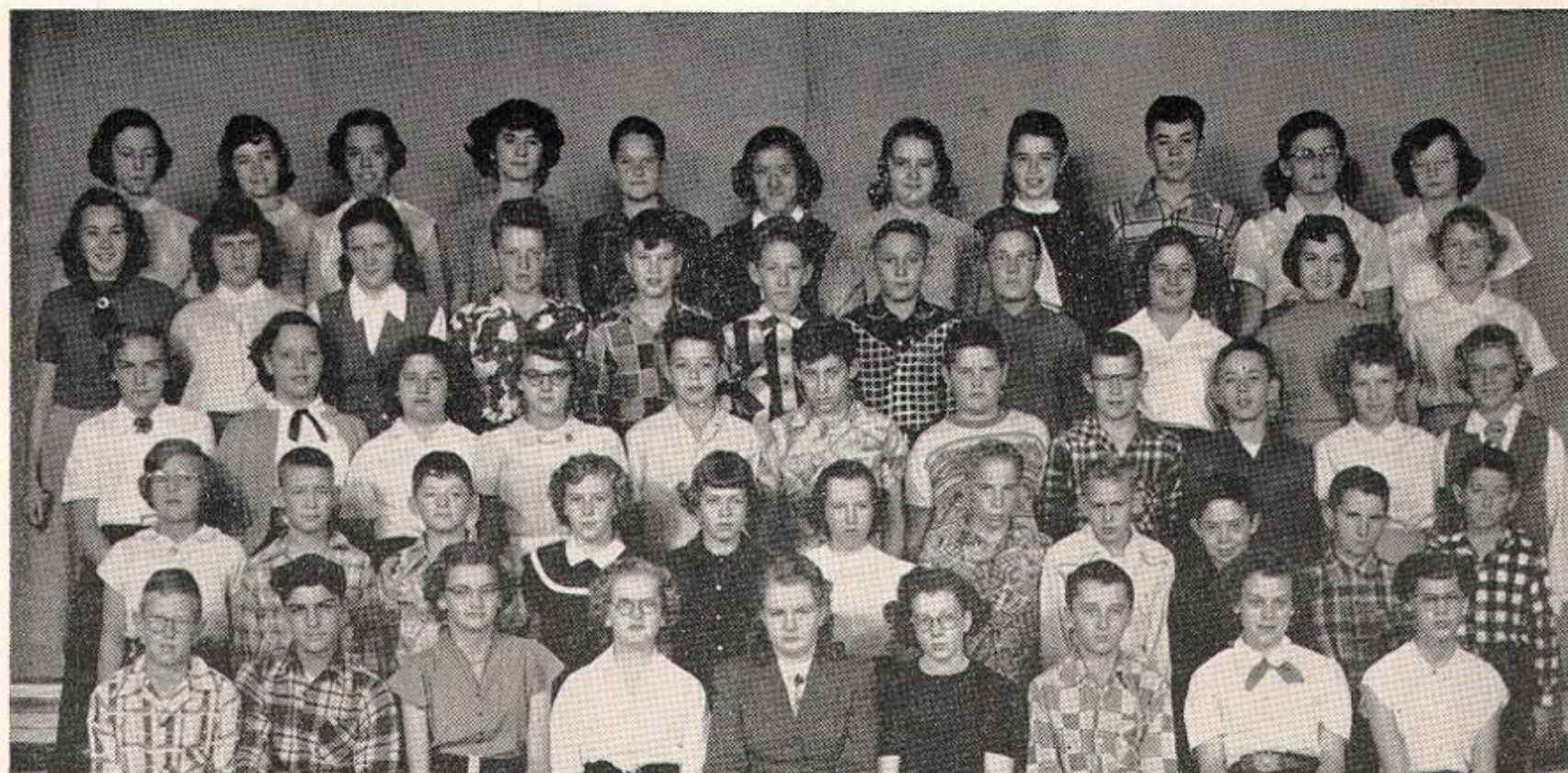
The seventh graders became adjusted to their new and exciting life at Sycoti under the guidance of Mrs. Muns, Mr. Bodeen, Mr. Wennlund, and Mr. Whitaker.

They elected the following officers to help coordinate their activities: Mary Willis, president; John Thuma, vice-president; Carol Hodge, secretary; and Jane Swedberg, treasurer.

Row 1: K. Bellendorf, S. Campbell, R. Heath, E. Davis, M. Clark, J. Bomleny, P. Bagwill, J. Braddy, E. Butzow. **Row 2:** A. Burke, K. Boyle, C. Johnson, J. Ells, M. Bennett, R. Drake, D. Folowell, R. Edwards, D. Fredrick, C. Carlson. **Row 3:** C. Hodge, C. Johnson, C. Healy, L. Craig, S. Hawkins, R. Hanson, B. Hindenburg, B. Erickson, P. Hoit, P. Cook, E. Hanson, W. Henry. **Row 4:** G. Goodley, D. Clawson, G. Fender, K. Davy, J. Holmes, J. Gauze, M. Gustafson, H. Joiner, D. Hindenburg, S. Albrecht. **Row 5:** F. Coan, J. Frick, M. Sarudi, S. Elliott, K. Franklin, S. Hall, H. Anderson, D. Johnson, D. Gaul, M. Jones, V. Haefner.



Classes



Row 1: R. Magnuson, L. Salemi, R. Miller, A. Stroberg, L. Wylie, K. Lambert, L. Lindsay, L. Mathey. **Row 2:** P. Troeger, L. Sherrill, J. McConaghie, C. Willis, J. Rice, S. Pinkston, J. Sherer, M. Cook, G. Larson, C. Scott, R. Lashbrook. **Row 3:** N. Moyers, E. Nachtigall, L. Wolf, K. Roper, J. Thuma, B. Keller, B. Lawhorn, R. Riffle, T. Schlieben, B. Rohde, J. Niewold. **Row 4:** J. Warner, C. Taylor, J. Kuntz, T. Stark, D. Twadell, G. Smith, D. Jordan, L. Wolf, R. Sabel, P. Mossholder. **Row 5:** L. Strack, H. McGuire, D. Ross, L. Phipps, R. Phillips, P. McCall, N. Van Meter, J. Swedberg, G. Phipps, S. Von Ohlen, C. Remala.

A large group of boys showed interest in athletics and developed promising teams under the supervision of Mr. Wennlund. The cheerleaders and the flag and baton twirlers added much to their events

and cheered the boys on to victory.

As the year drew to a close, the Class of '58 looked forward to their attractively decorated dance held in the cafeteria.

Lucky stars

S. Hawkins, L. Lindsay, G. Smith



Classes



Busy bees

J. Holcomb, J. Dunmore



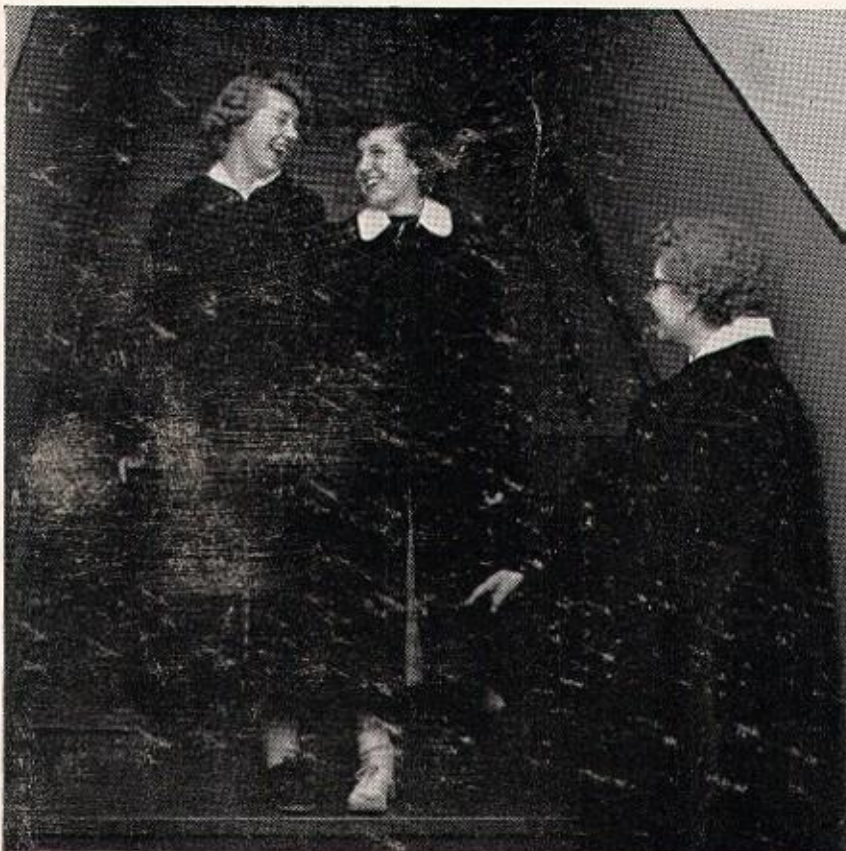
Hot rodder

M. Ells

Relaxation Plus

At long last!

D. Lindgren, M. Roberts, J. Stark



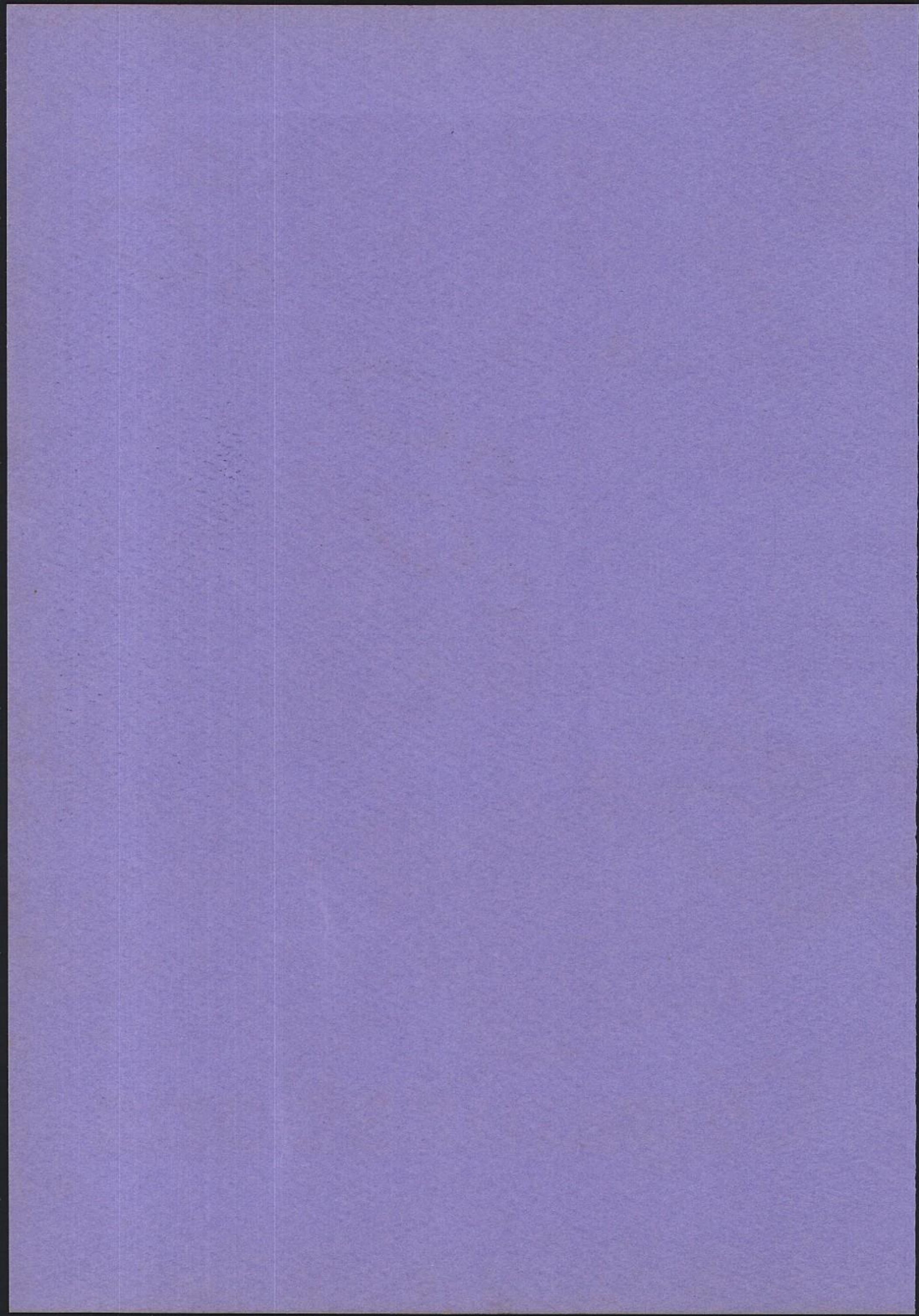
Primping pretties

S. Elliott, A. Tedford





Organizations





The gift of gaiety may be . . . the most serious step toward maturity.

—Irwin Edman.

Organizations



Row 1: S. Strain, C. Johnston, M. Buettell, J. Swedberg, R. Willis, B. Scherer, J. Rogers, M. Sellers. **Row 2:** J. Thuma, L. Lungstrom, J. Erickson, P. Fillweber, S. Mundy, M. Saathoff, V. Willke, P. Henigan. **Row 3:** E. Myrdal, D. Holt, H. Bergquist, M. Gooch, J. Eklund, K. Waller, N. Parker, J. Hooker, K. Masterson. **Row 4:** C. Sundly, R. Horne, L. Evans, M. Roberts, J. Stark, S. Haley, N. Walrod, V. Kus, B. Mundy. **Row 5:** D. Carlson, M. Knighton, C. Hagen, B. Haka, D. Lindgren, L. Yardley, C. Lally, J. Evans.

Leaves Staff

The selling stands have been put away, and the pictures frantically taken, pasted, and rushed to the printers; thus, the Leaves business and editorial staffs have finished another successful year.

The business staff, under the direction of Miss Hulbert and Miss Jordan and Barbara Mundy as manager, organized an efficient staff of students who sold at both football and basketball games. There

"Like honey to bees"

R. Tedford, R. Thompson, M. Sellers,
B. Carlson



Organizations

Chief to chief

Mr. Rose, R. Peplow



were two different staffs this year—one for football and an all boy staff for basketball games.

Mr. Rose has given his time to direct

the editorial staff. Ruth Peplow, editor, and the rest of the staff have spent many hours editing our yearbook.

Row 1: R. Peplow, B. Haka, L. Yardley, J. Evans, G. Willke. **Row 2:** N. Parker, M. Ells, J. Spoor, Mr. Rose, E. Myrdal, B. Mundy.



Organizations



"Let light shine"

H. Bergquist, D. Hagen, M. Buettell

National Honor Society

Led by Barbara Mundy, president; Richard Hagen, vice-president; Marlene Buettell, secretary; Ruth Peplow, treasurer; and Miss Billett and Miss Adams,

sponsors, the National Honor Society gave the annual merit awards to underclassmen and a senior scholarship.

Row 1: T. Ernest, M. Buettell, B. Mundy, R. Peplow. **Row 2:** P. Fillweber, M. Ells, L. Yardley, B. Haka, V. Willke. **Row 3:** E. Safford, R. Hagen, D. Hardesty, J. Jordan, J. Spoor.



Organizations



Row 1: G. Sallberg, J. Joiner, M. Sellers, J. Remala, D. Carlson, B. Haka, L. Yardley. **Row 2:** K. Masterson, S. Coan, N. Parker, J. Erickson, P. Fillweber, S. Mundy, M. Saathoff, V. Willke. **Row 3:** R. Peplow, E. Myrdal, D. Holt, S. Etchison, C. Spartz, N. Edward, B. Mundy, K. Waller. **Row 4:** C. Johnston, J. Evans, N. Walrod, B. Scherer, J. Swedberg, B. Smith, G. Rum, P. Reh, M. Ells. **Row 5:** D. Matteson, B. Trapp, J. Jordan, J. Spoor, R. Collins, J. Schmitt, J. Benson, R. Carlson, D. Tyrrell, E. Safford.

A'Cappella

The A'Cappella, consisting of juniors and seniors, was under the direction of Urey Arnold.

This music group performed at many

school and community activities. They received an excellent rating at the district contest for their work.

Turnabout

M. Buettell, Mr. Arnold



Organizations



Row 1: L. Edwards, J. Elliott, M. Crosby, I. Wilson, E. Miller, S. Davis, J. Henry, C. Wilkin, S. Middleton. **Row 2:** M. Plucinski, S. Gustafson, C. Stroberg, N. Niewold, N. Martin, D. Arneson, D. Lee, A. Buzzell, J. Mabel, E. Benson, S. Dunlap. **Row 3:** P. Eggers, L. Hindenburg, K. Hilstrom, J. Erlewine, G. Johnson, D. Frantum, P. Gorbet, A. Kuntz, G. McMillan, D. Carey, K. Leinauer. **Row 4:** E. Jolly, A. Coan, F. Blade, M. Hubbard, M. Elliott, A. Cudden, N. Hardesty, P. Cretsinger, N. Reh, D. Hodge, R. Anderson. **Row 5:** L. Lloyd, P. Crosby, J. Campbell, L. Astling, R. Scherf, D. Becker, F. Carlson, C. Albrecht, L. Maveus, B. Miller, E. Hall.

Girls' Chorus

There were approximately fifty-five voices in the combined Freshman-Sophomore girls chorus.

Under the capable direction of Mr. Urey Arnold, many hours of practice were put

forth. Mr. Jack Borden from N. I. S. T. C. became the student teacher from March until June. He also contributed much to the work of the girls.

The chorus participated in the Christ-

Recording contest

J. Henry, S. Dunlap, C. Stroberg



Organizations

"Music, music, music"

P. Henigan, P. Pulliam



mas Concert held on December 20. They sang some very impressive Christmas numbers.

The large chorus was beautifully attired in their formals on the evening of

the annual Spring Concert, held in the gymnasium. Their work was very fine that evening.

We wish to thank the chorus for its excellent work this year.

Row 1: S. Elliott, B. Hodge, G. Elliott, M. Johnson, E. Gray, M. Gooch, M. Hall. **Row 2:** R. Lahti, D. Gray, J. Olson, J. Housewert, N. Devine, D. Buffington, P. Henigan. **Row 3:** D. Synnott, M. Fox, C. Craigen, G. Edwards, R. Garbert, C. Conlon, E. Sharp, A. Jackson. **Row 4:** K. Dunmore, L. Hoffman, M. Jenkins, N. Lockwood, A. Tedford, A. Danielson, C. Clark, S. Wessels.



Organizations



Ah, what healthy tonsils!

Mr. Arnold

Boys' Chorus

This group of boys showed an unusual amount of talent in their blend of voices. This helped them to secure an excellent

rating in the District Music Contest.

They added much to the Christmas and Spring Concerts.

Row 1: Mr. Arnold, D. Drenckpohl, J. Denby, C. Sibley, J. Clark, C. Gibbens. **Row 2:** J. Holcomb, J. Eklund, K. Carlson, T. Fleetwood, J. Kerwin, R. Bowman, G. Matteson. **Row 3:** F. Sibley, J. Arison, C. Lalley, R. Fredrick, T. Joslyn, D. Bergquist, M. Johnston. **Row 4:** J. Dunmore, K. Raymond, L. Gustafson, S. Dinsmore, R. Butzow, F. Worden, H. Peplow.



Organizations



J. Jordan, J. Schmitt, K. Mulligan, E. Safford, C. Johnston, M. Buettell, J. Evans,
V. Willke (missing).

Ensembles and Soloists

Row 1: J. Holcomb, L. Gustafson, H. Kellogg. Row 2: J. Arison, J. Clark, E. Astling.



Organizations



Row 1: A. Danielson, P. Reuss, E. Safford, D. Remala. **Row 2:** G. Lalley, J. Eklund, H. Bergquist, S. Hillquist, L. Yardley, J. Clark, V. Willke, R. Muns, D. Holt, D. Bergquist. **Row 3:** S. Carlson, D. Synnott, L. Astling, S. Gustafson, P. Eggers, S. Albrecht, C. Johnston, R. Anderson, P. Gorbet, E. Myrdal, B. Scherer, L. Gustafson. **Row 4:** Mr. Arnold, N. Reh, P. Cretsinger, R. Peplow, L. Maveus.

High School Band

Much of the inspiration of our school spirit is brought about by the Sycamore High School Band, which is composed of about fifty-five members this year.

During the past year they have participated in many activities. Their unique half-time presentations during the football season were very entertaining and appreciated by everyone. The band also contributed a great deal to the entertainment at the basketball games.

The band participated in the annual Christmas Concert and in the gala Spring Concert.

Many long hours of practice were spent by each band member in preparation for the District Music Contest in Batavia. They received an excellent rating for their effort. Individual members also entered the solo and ensemble division of the contest held on an earlier date.

Among other activities, highlights of the band's performances were their participation in the Sycamore Homecoming and Memorial Day parades.

Mr. Brand is to be congratulated for his time and effort in advising and instructing each member of this organization.

Organizations



Row 1: J. Swedberg, J. Jordan, L. Hoffman, B. Haka. **Row 2:** R. Fredrick, H. Peplow, L. Glazer, R. Willis, D. Carlson, R. Winebrenner, M. Carpenter, J. Spoor, N. Parker, H. Kellogg, J. Remala. **Row 3:** J. Holcomb, D. Fuller, S. Middleton, M. Buettell, J. Carlson, M. Johnston, R. Hagen, S. Dinsmore, A. Astling, J. Rogers, C. Hagen, J. Arison. **Row 4:** M. Saathoff, R. Bowman, S. Mundy, M. Ells, G. Swanson, J. Dunmore.

Roster

CLARINETS

A. Danielson
P. Reuss
E. Safford
J. Swedberg
D. Remala
L. Astling
S. Carlson
J. Eklund
G. Lalley
D. Synnott
S. Gustafson
P. Eggers
C. Albrecht
R. Nordgren
C. Johnston, alto

FLUTES

B. Haka
L. Hoffman

OBOE

J. Jordan

CORNETS

H. Kellogg
N. Parker
M. Carpenter

J. Remala
R. Winebrenner
D. Carlson
J. Spoor
L. Glazer
R. Fredrick
H. Peplow

HORNS

L. Yardley
J. Clark
V. Willke
R. Muns
D. Holt

EUPHONIUMS

D. Hagen
M. Johnston
J. Carlson

ALTO SAXOPHONES

B. Scherer
E. Myrdal
R. Anderson
P. Gorbet

TENOR SAXOPHONES

M. Buettell

S. Middleton
D. Fuller

TROMBONES

J. Arison
C. Hagen
J. Rogers
A. Astling

BASSES

L. Gustafson
J. Holcomb

BELLS

N. Reh
P. Cretsinger

DRUMS

M. Saathoff
M. Ells
S. Mundy
L. Maveus
G. Swanson
J. Dunmore
R. Bowman

CYMBALS

R. Peplow

Organizations



Baton

Row 1: P. Henigan. Row 2: C. Vanderbeek, B. Burgart. Row 3: L. Johnson, P. Reh, R. Hove, M. Weaver

High School Twirlers

A familiar attraction at each home football and basketball game was the half-time entertainment by the baton and flag twirlers. With flashy batons spinning and flags flying, these eleven girls marched out to the strains of "Military Escort." First to appear arrayed in their white satin uniforms including snappy military hats, were the baton twirlers. The flag

twirlers with their maroon and gray uniforms, presented many colorful formations and twirling feats.

In addition to athletic events, these girls participated in several parades and other programs throughout the year.

These groups are to be commended for their performances before many audiences.

Flag

J. Lloyd, K. Waller, K. Frautschy, R. Lahti, R. Willis



Organizations

Varsity

N. Parker, M. Saathoff,
J. Erickson, R. Peplow



High School Cheerleaders

The enthusiastic backing of Sycohi's peppy cheerleaders was a major factor in the school spirit at all athletic contests.

In addition to the regular cheerleaders, Nancy Reh was the Frosh-Soph substitute and Carlotta Hagen, the varsity substitute. Janice Erickson replaced Helen Bergquist after Helen moved to California during the football season of the school year.

Throughout the year, the cheerleaders cooperated with the Pep Club in putting on pep skits and boosting morale before each game.

We would like to commend these girls for their efforts put forth in leading our team on to victory. In reward for their efforts, they received letters at the award assembly.



Frosh-Soph

J. Campbell, L. Maveus, A. Tedford,
J. Henry

Organizations



Row 1: L. Strack, P. Coultrip, J. Braddy, S. Campbell, Mr. Brand, W. Johnson, H. Wilkin, R. Whitney, C. Carlson. **Row 2:** J. Holmes, D. Jordan, B. Lawhorn, C. Healy, K. Gooch, L. Linden, J. McConaghie, P. Craigen, N. Carlson. **Row 3:** E. Nachtigall, F. Bagwill, A. Quitno, M. Gustafson, A. McGuire, J. Joiner, P. Mossholder, R. Keller, R. Marshall. **Row 4:** M. Clark, S. Safford, H. McGuire, J. Swedberg, J. Bomleny, A. Stroberg, L. Lindsay, C. Johnson, M. Franking, G. Quigley.

Junior High Band

The Junior High Band worked very enthusiastically this year. They took part in many parades and also in the Christmas and Spring Concerts.

The band, directed by Alton Brand, should be commended for their very fine work.

A trilling trio

P. Coultrip, M. Franking, C. Carlson



Organizations



N. Stearns, M. Read, P. Coultrip, H. Brust



L. Lindsay, J. Rice, S. Pinkston, J. Niewold

Junior High Cheerleaders

Junior High Flag and Baton Twirlers

Row 1: J. Warner, P. Johnson, C. Mowry, S. Sibley. Row 2: C. Hodge, P. McCall
G. Johnson, J. Craig, B. Cady, L. Bergeson,
H. Brust



Organizations



Row 1: S. Strain, M. Johnson, M. Clark, E. Hausen, F. Sibley, M. Jenkins. **Row 2:** Miss Follmer, B. Miller, M. Clarner, E. Sharp, K. Hilstrom, C. Quitno. **Row 3:** J. Kerwin, C. Lalley, T. Joslyn, L. Drake, P. Pulliam, B. Kuehl, K. Masterson.

Library

The library staff of fourteen students, ranging from freshmen to seniors, was organized under the supervision of Miss Follmer, the school librarian.

From 9 until 3:45 P. M. each member has his scheduled hour to aid all Sycoti

students in selecting and securing reading materials.

We wish to give students the best materials available to help with their assignments, to maintain a cooperative spirit, and to create an atmosphere of cheerfulness and good will.



Book larnin'

S. Strain, E. Myrdal

Organizations

Workin' women

V. Willke, M. Saathoff, J. Evans



Syco-Hi-Lites

By the faithful and co-operative help and work of Miss McKinney, advisor; Virginia Willke, editor; Marilyn Saathoff,

associate editor; and the staff, Syco-Hi-Lites has published events of interest to the faculty, students, and parents.

Row 1: Miss McKinney, D. Whitney, K. Mulligan, C. Clark, N. Lockwood, R. Horne, C. Lalley, L. Yardley, J. Evans, J. Swedberg. **Row 2:** K. Waller, K. Masterson, N. Parker, J. Housewert, J. Thuma, S. Mundy, M. Saathoff, V. Willke, P. Henigan, C. Craigen. **Row 3:** E. Myrdal, J. Stark, S. Haley, B. Mundy, H. Bergquist, M. Fox, J. Ecklund, N. Cone, D. Gray, S. Elliott, R. Lahti. **Row 4:** M. Buettell, M. Roberts, R. Peplow, B. Scherer, J. Rogers, R. Willis, A. Tedford, E. Gray, M. Gooch, M. Ells, D. Holt. **Row 5:** P. Burkart, J. Spoor, J. Schmitt, R. Winebrenner, M. Johnson, C. Hagen, B. Haka, L. Evans, E. Safford, G. Lalley.



Organizations



Officers

C. Sundley, M. Roberts, B. Carlson

Pep Club

The Pep Club, under the supervision of Miss Parker had a busy year. Those elected to fill the offices were: Mary Lou Roberts, president; Charlotte Sundly, secretary; and Bee Carlson, treasurer.

The club participated in many activities. In the Homecoming Parade we entered a float which took third place. We also nominated as our queen candidate, Jean Lungstrom.

Row 1: L. Edwards, S. Fraedrich, G. Elliott, S. Carlson, M. Jenkins, A. Danielson, C. Clark, L. Johnson, E. Gray, M. Gooch, M. Buettell. **Row 2:** P. Gorbet, N. Edwards, S. Hillquist, B. Carlson, J. Erickson, P. Fillweber, D. Carey, K. Hilstrom, L. Hindenburg, N. Devine, P. Henigan, C. Craigen. **Row 3:** A. Coan, S. Haley, H. Bergquist, P. Eggers, N. Cone, S. Elliott, D. Gray, E. Jolly, N. Hardesty, N. Jennings, P. Cretsinger, D. Hodge. **Row 4:** J. Evans, L. Evans, E. Deutsch, G. Edwards, M. Ells, C. Conlon, R. Garbert, D. Holt, R. Hove, J. Henry, G. Johnson, A. Cudden. **Row 5:** M. Crosby, D. Carlson, B. Haka, C. Hagen, K. Dunmore, J. Elliott, L. Hoffman, R. Hoffman, P. Crosby, J. Campbell, L. Astling, C. Albrecht.



Organizations



Row 1: Miss Parker, L. Lloyd, M. Johnson, D. Lindgren, S. Strain, N. Lockwood, R. Willis, J. Swedberg, B. Scherer, J. Rogers, D. Holt. **Row 2:** E. Sharp, K. Leinauer, L. Lungstrom, C. Vanderbeek, S. Mundy, N. Niewold, M. Saathoff, V. Willke, S. Storgberg, N. Martin, J. Mabel. **Row 3:** S. Middleton, B. Miller, A. Kuntz, R. Lahti, C. Strong, R. Peplow, K. Masterson, N. Parker, N. Reh, J. Thuma, G. McMillan. **Row 4:** N. Walrod, M. Roberts, J. Stark, C. Sundly, B. Mundy, E. Myrdal, V. Kus, C. Spartz, S. McMillan, J. Wood, B. Keuhl, I. Wilson. **Row 5:** L. Yardley, J. Lungstrom, B. Olson, J. Kerwin, L. Maveus, C. Johnston, E. Miller, D. Synnott, M. Weaver, J. Lloyd, A. Tedford.

On December 6th, we held the annual Christmas dance, called "Kandy Kapers" this year. This was one of the memorable dances of the year.

We also put on pep skits at the pep sessions and made posters for the halls. The Pep Club contributed much to the morale at Sycohi.

Pep Club style

D. Gray, S. Elliott, N. Lockwood, N. Hardesty, L. Yardley, J. Lungstrom, D. Lindgren



Organizations



Row 1: C. Campbell, J. Elliott, D. Carlson, S. Fredericks, L. Hoffman, S. Carlson, C. Clark, A. Danielson, E. Gray. **Row 2:** B. Carlson, D. Carey, L. Hindenburg, J. Erickson, P. Fillweber, C. Craigen, P. Henigan, B. Burgart, E. Benson, A. Buzzell, S. Dunlap. **Row 3:** E. Jolly, C. Conlon, P. Cretsinger, D. Hodge, P. Eggers, K. Hilstrom, A. Cudden, S. Hillquist, S. Elliott, D. Gray, N. Devine. **Row 4:** K. Dunmore, M. Gooch, J. Henry, R. Garbert, R. Hove, M. Eils, D. Holt, S. Davis, G. Edwards, N. Hardesty, J. Erlewine. **Row 5:** B. Helmchen, R. Hoffman, M. Crosby, L. Astling, C. Hagen, P. Frautschy, M. Jenkins, E. Deutsch, P. Crosby, J. Campbell, C. Albrecht.

Girls' Athletic Association

"How about a date tonight?" "No—thanks, I can't—GAA tonight!" This conversation was heard on a Thursday because the winter months left only this night open for GAA'ers. On these nights

the girls participated in volley ball, basketball, ping pong, badminton, and other activities.

The sponsor of GAA is Miss Pat Parker, our gym teacher. The officers include:

"Robin Hoods"

S. Fraedrich, C. Spartz



Organizations

Officers

P. Fillweber, N. Parker, L. Lungstrom, B. Haka



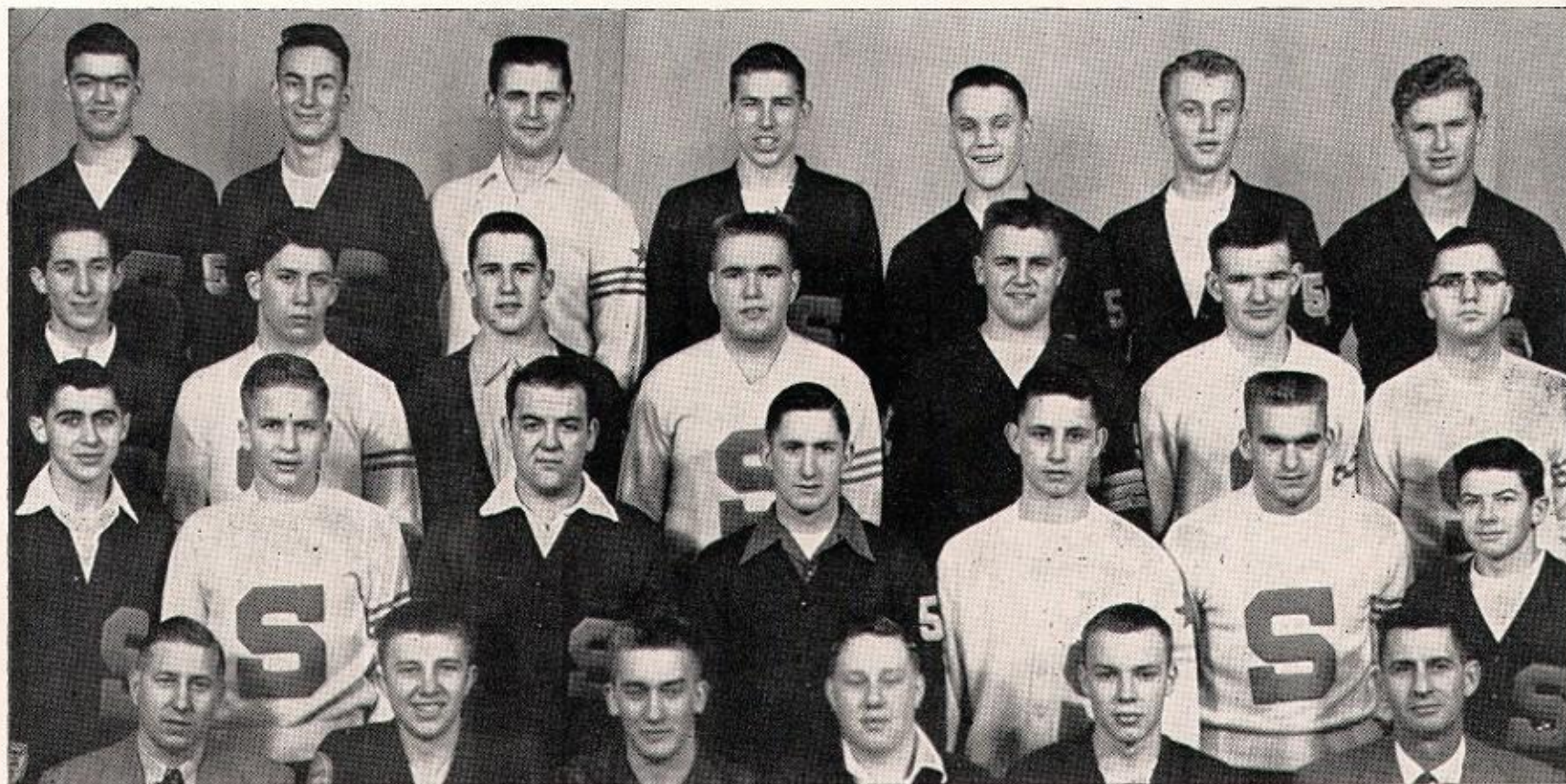
Lillian Lungstrom, president; Bonnie Haka, vice-president; Nancy Parker, secretary; Patsy Fillweber, treasurer; Vivian Kus, senior representative; Pat Reh, junior representative; and Rachael Lahti, sophomore representative.

Of course, the social activities can't be left out. This year the annual GAA Dance was called "Some Enchanted Evening" and was held February 21st. The royal couple was Art Muns and Jean Lungstrom.

Row 1: Miss Parker, D. Lindgren, M. Elliott, L. Yardley, S. Strain, A. Tedford, C. Johnston, B. Scherer, J. Rogers, B. Synnott. **Row 2:** K. Leinauer, J. Thuma, K. Masterson, N. Parker, L. Lungstrom, C. Vanderbeek, S. Mundy, N. Sabel, N. Niewold, N. Martin, J. Mabel. **Row 3:** B. Miller, E. Myrdal, B. Mundy, S. McMillan, R. Lahti, K. Waller, N. Reh, S. Larkin, G. McMillan, M. Strong, A. Kuntz. **Row 4:** J. Kerwin, P. Reh, V. Kus, C. Spartz, I. Wilson, M. Weaver, P. Reuss, S. Parker, L. Johnson, G. Johnson, M. Jennings. **Row 5:** M. Roberts, J. Lungstrom, M. Johnson, B. Olson, J. Swedberg, R. Willis, L. Lloyd, L. Maveus, R. Lindbeck, S. Wessels, J. Lloyd, N. Lockwood.



Organizations



Row 1: Mr. Johnson, L. Powell, R. Lenschow, D. Whitney, S. George, Mr. Mathes.
Row 2: J. Schmitt, D. Hagen, N. Van Meter, G. Yunker, G. Benson, P. Hodge, K. Lashbrook.
Row 3: J. Spoor, R. Tedford, J. Lee, B. Thompson, D. Nowlen, F. Binder, J. Shrout.
Row 4: G. Sallberg, J. Elliott, D. Hardesty, T. Brotcke, B. Trapp, D. Tucker, B. Quinn.

Spartan Club

The 1952-1953 Spartan Club, sponsored by Pete Johnson and Lee Mathes, was open to all varsity letter-winners. The officers were Pete Hodge, president; Dick

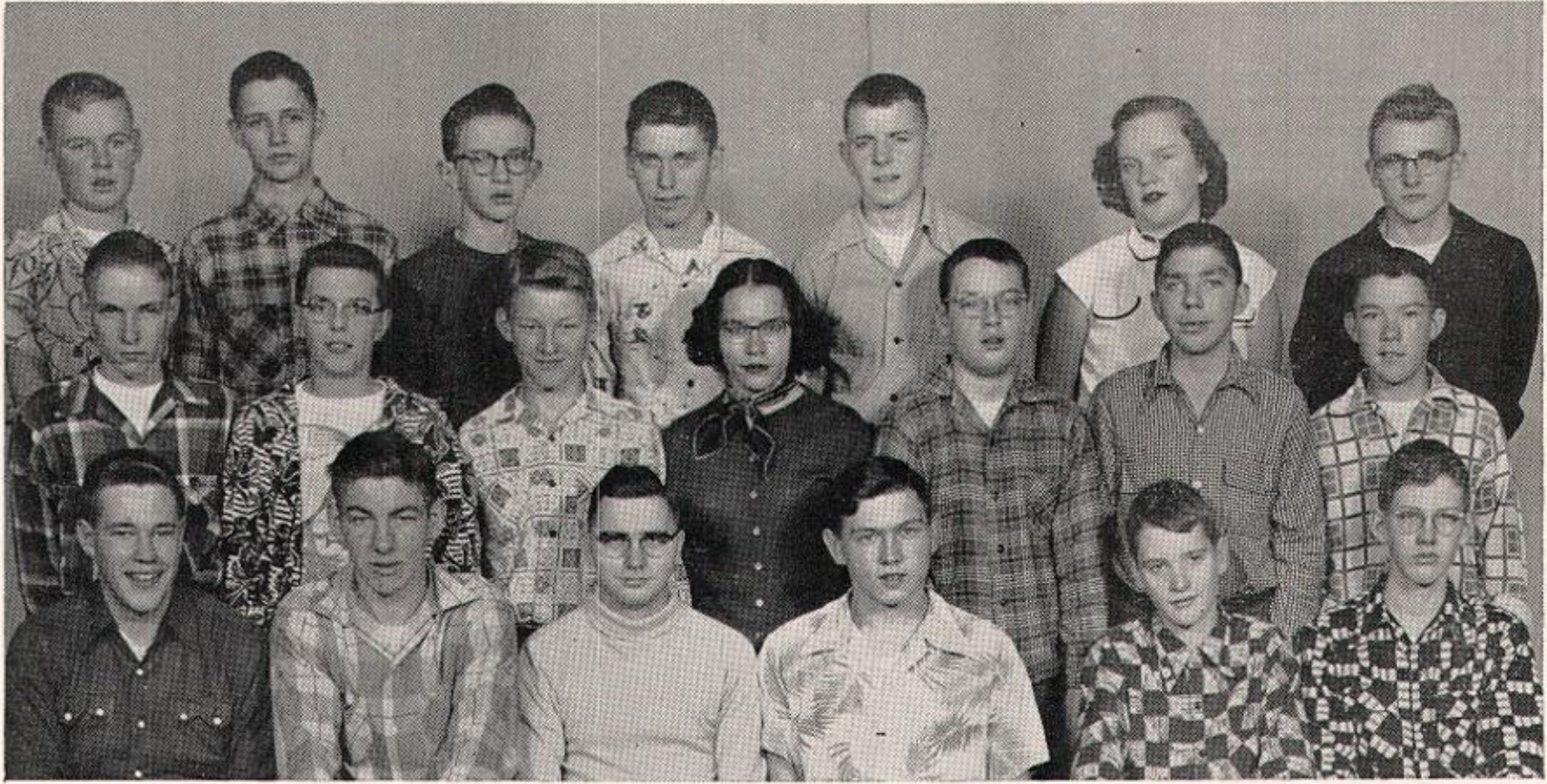
Tedford, vice-president; Dick Hagen, secretary-treasurer; Bob Thompson and Frank Binder, sergeants-at-arms.

"A bathing Babe"

D. Nowlen, P. Hodge



Organizations



Row 1: P. Skelly, J. Merchant, J. Shrout, R. Johnson, J. Buck, E. Safford. Row 2: K. Parsons, L. Bowman, T. Fleetwood, E. Sharp, M. Carter, R. Whitney, A. Quitno. Row 3: C. Lalley, D. Edwards, M. Sellers, R. Read, R. Horne, P. Pulliam, R. Munson.

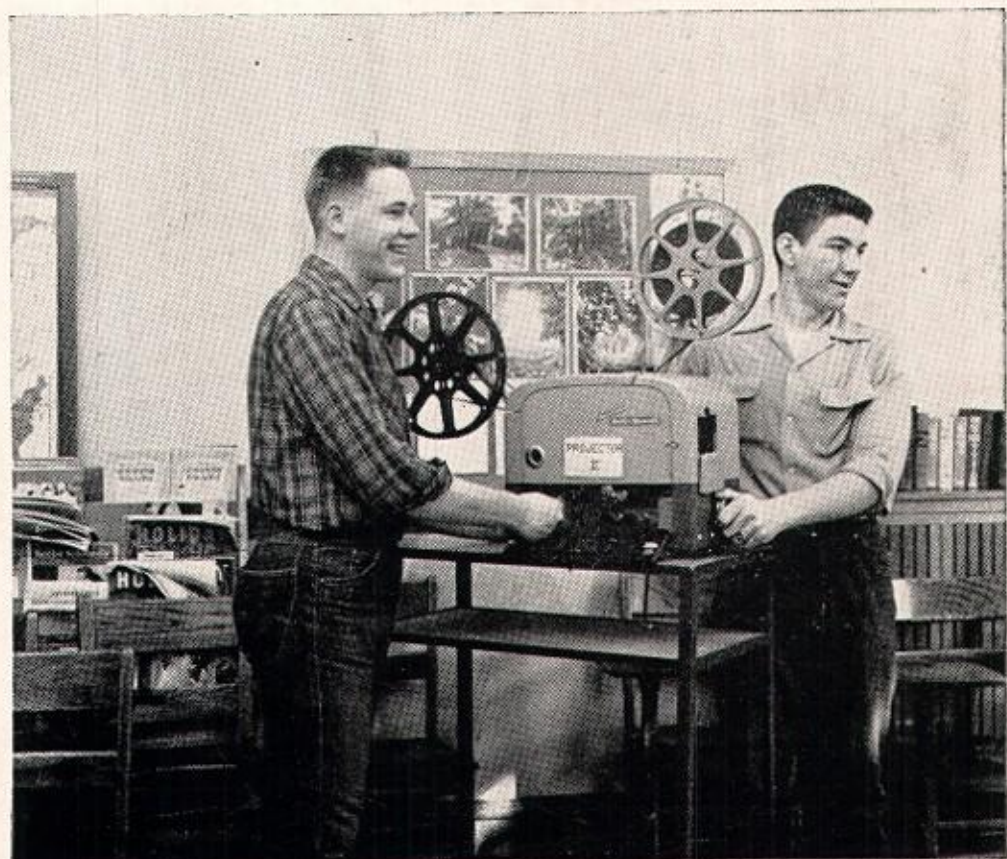
Visual Aids

This year the visual aids set up a new program, showing educational films in the classroom, which proved to be successful.

Mr. Jessen is the faculty advisor; Paul Skelly, president; Merle Sellers, vice-president; and Pat Pulliam, secretary-treasurer.

"What's so funny?"

P. Skelly, J. Merchant



Organizations



"Queen Lil"

R. Hardesty, L. Lungstrom
R. Thompson

Homecoming

The 1952 Homecoming was a very successful one under the leadership of an en-

terprising committee of seniors advised by Mr. Mathes.

Row 1: S. Haley, B. Haka, D. Lindgren, J. Lungstrom. Row 2: M. Roberts, B. Mundy, H. Bergquist, L. Lungstrom, V. Willke.



Organizations



L. Ebright, P. Skelly, C. Campbell, A. Kuntz, G. Holland,
E. Benson, N. Hardesty, E. Miller, D. Hodge, K. Leinauer

That's the spirit!

The snake dance, parade, adumni dance and the crowning of the queen were the highlights of the celebration. Our vic-



L. Evans, S. McMillan, J. Thuma,
J. Evans

Three time winner

tory on the football field made the evening very successful. This will be a well-remembered homecoming indeed.

"Soap gets in your eyes"

M. McPherson, D. Whitney, J. Hooker,
D. Swedberg



Pep rally

G. Yunker, R. Tedford, R. Hardesty, Coach Johnson,
R. Thompson, B. Trapp



Organizations



Officers

M. Knighton, E. Deutsch,
C. Conlon, M. Ells

Future Homemakers of America

Officers for F. H. A. this year were Marlene Knighton, president; Mary Ells, vice-president; Claire Conlon, secretary;

Eileen Deutsch, treasurer; Miss Bunse, sponsor; and Mrs. Phillip Hodge, chapter mother.

Row 1: L. Edwards, S. Fraedrich, P. Crosby, L. Maveus, C. Johnston, M. Buettell, Miss Bunse, J. Campbell, D. Becker, D. Synnott, J. Stark, I. Wilson. **Row 2:** D. Frantum, E. Sharp, J. Housewert, G. McMillan, K. Leinauer, N. Devine, P. Fillweber, L. Hindenburg, N. Niewold, N. Martin, D. Robinson, E. Benson, J. Mabel. **Row 3:** G. Edwards, M. Ells, B. Mundy, H. Bergquist, B. Miller, N. Hardesty, R. Anderson, A. Coan, B. Hodge, A. Jackson, S. Hillquist, N. Edwards, K. Masterson, D. Hodge. **Row 4:** J. Henry, D. Carey, K. Olson, C. Conlon, A. Kuntz, M. Gooch, E. Jolly, J. Rogers, N. Walrod, S. Haley, C. Spartz, V. Kus, S. McMillan, J. Wood. **Row 5:** L. Lloyd, K. Dunmore, M. Johnson, S. Strain, C. Sundly, M. Knighton, D. Carlson, B. Haka, C. Hagen, J. Evans, B. Smith, J. Kerwin, E. Deutsch, D. Darling, M. Jenkins, L. Johnson, R. Garbert.



Organizations



Row 1: Mr. Terrell, D. Elliott, E. Troutman, D. Inman, I. Jones, J. Racich, F. Middleton, R. Lindgren. **Row 2:** R. Munson, K. Carlson, D. Warner, R. Kessen, L. Mathey, W. Tucker, C. Quitno. **Row 3:** L. Mirotznik, D. Remala, C. Primm, D. Wirsing, O. Vandeburg, R. Quigley, K. Parsons, L. Drake. **Row 4:** L. Ross, G. Johnson, W. Lenschow, G. Yunker, J. Quinn, E. Safford, J. Yunker, G. Holland. **Row 5:** J. Jordan, F. Mason, G. Holland, L. Powell, B. Lenschow.

Future Farmers of America

The F.F.A., sponsored by Mr. Terrell, elected these officers: president, John Jordan; vice-president, George Yunker; secretary, Bob Lenschow; treasurer,

David Wirsing; reporter, Ed Safford; and sentinel, Larry Powell. The members engaged in many interesting activities.

Officers

G. Yunker, J. Jordan L. Powell,
B. Lenschow, E. Safford



Organizations



G. Willke, T. Ernest, J. Jordan, L. Evans, M. Buettell, V. Kus

"Where are those bonds?"

Senior Class Play

"The Curious Savage," directed by Mr. Winebrenner, was presented for the public by the Class of 1953 on the evenings of

November 21 and 22. The plot of the play revolves around the characters, Mrs. Savage, who is placed in a rest home by



"Just a small bite, please"

V. Kus, M. Buettell

Organizations



"I hate everything. . . !

E. Myrdal

"The Curious Savage"

her children in hopes that they might gain control of her valuable bonds. The humorous incidents, occurring through-

out the play, provided the audience with enjoyable entertainment.

Grand Finale

R. Collins, L. Yardley, K. Mundy, P. Skelly, B. Mundy, E. Myrdal



Organizations



Paper planin'

B. Haka, J. Rogers, Miss McKinney



A future Spartan?

C. Quitno, J. Schmitt, D. Hardesty

Klub Kapers

And the band plays on

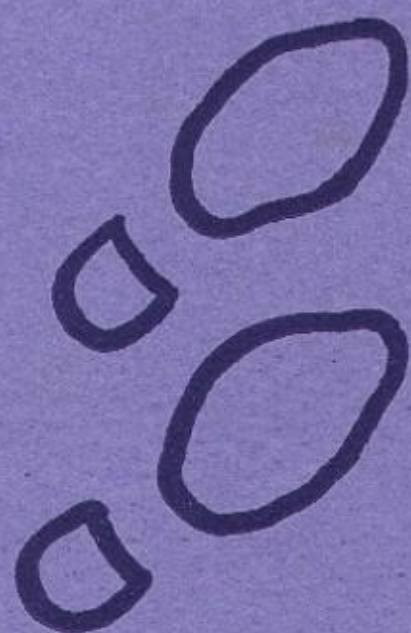
Pep Band



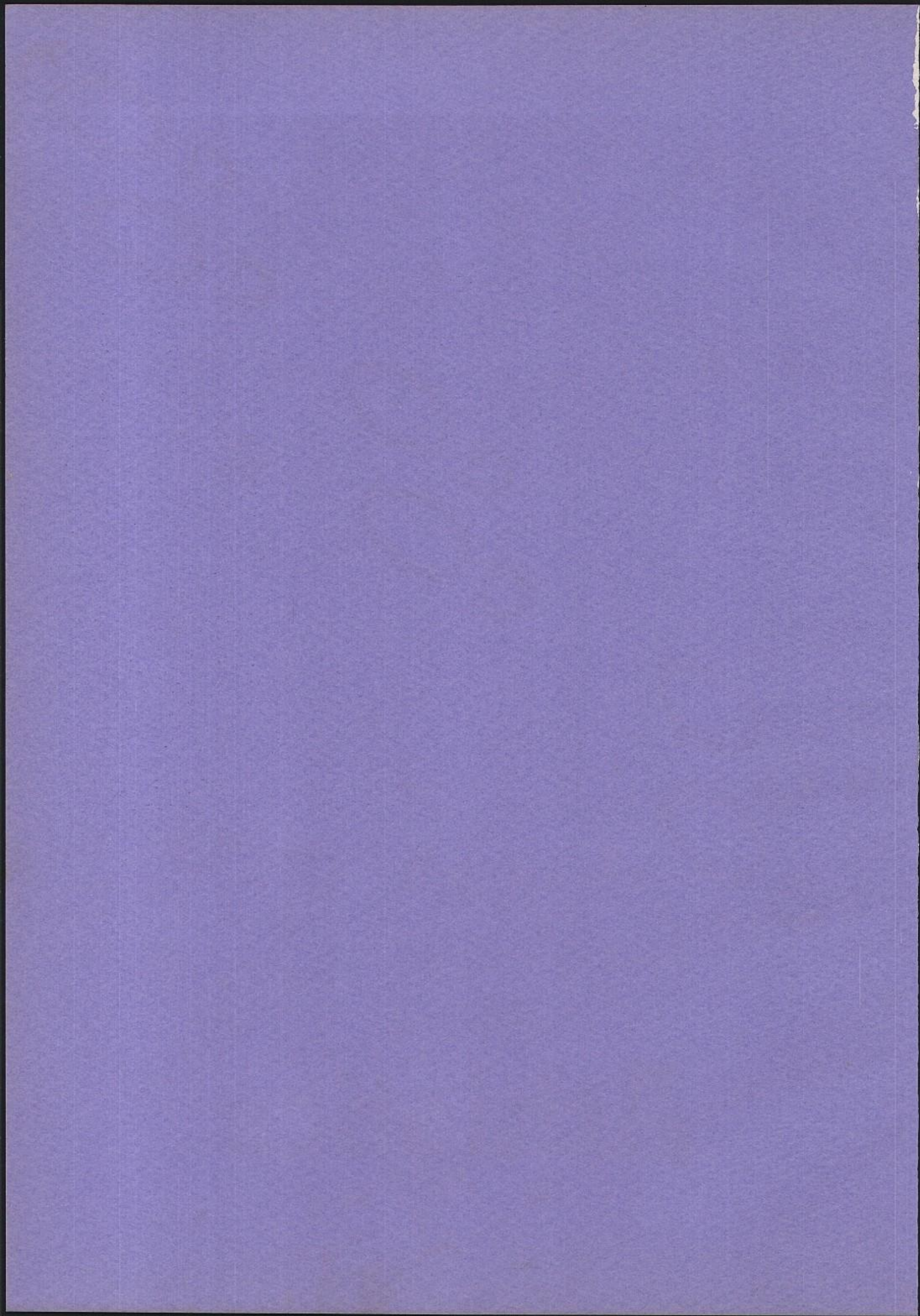
G.A.A. royalty

J. Lungstrom, A. Muns





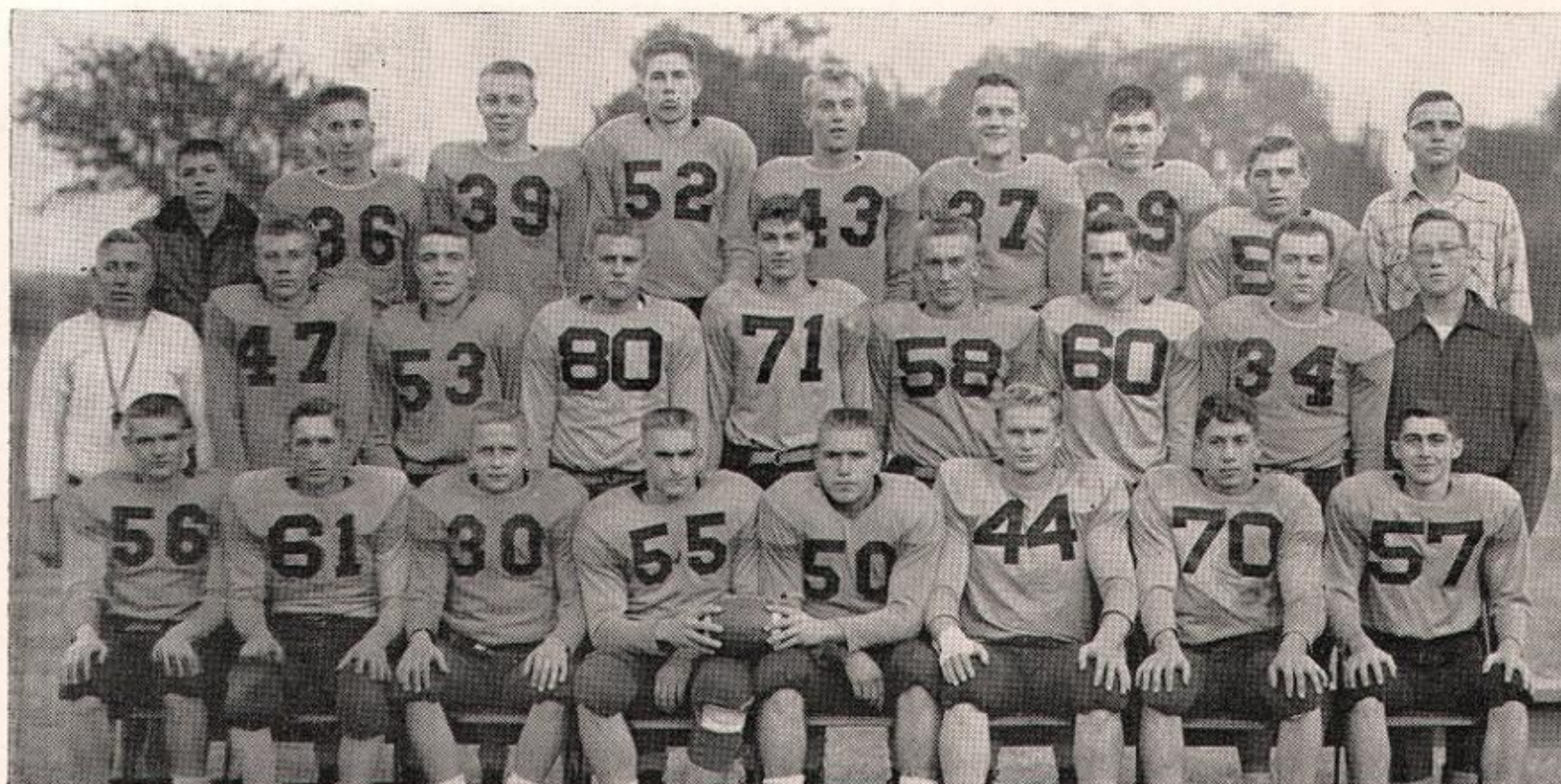
Athletics





Some sport is sauce to pains.
—John Clarke

Athletics



Row 1: F. Binder, G. Yunker, R. Hagen, D. Hodge, R. Thompson, J. Quinn, R. Tedford, J. Schmitt. **Row 2:** Mr. Johnson, L. Powell, H. Powell, D. Nowlen, G. Sallberg, R. Lenschow, J. Lee, N. Van Meter, D. Whitney. **Row 3:** K. Lashbrook, J. Spoor, S. George, T. Brotcke, D. Tucker, H. Trapp, W. Davis, R. Dodson, J. Shrout.

Varsity Football

This year's varsity football team won more games in one season than any other team in the history of Sycohi. The Spartans got off to a fast start by beating Sandwich 27 to 6.

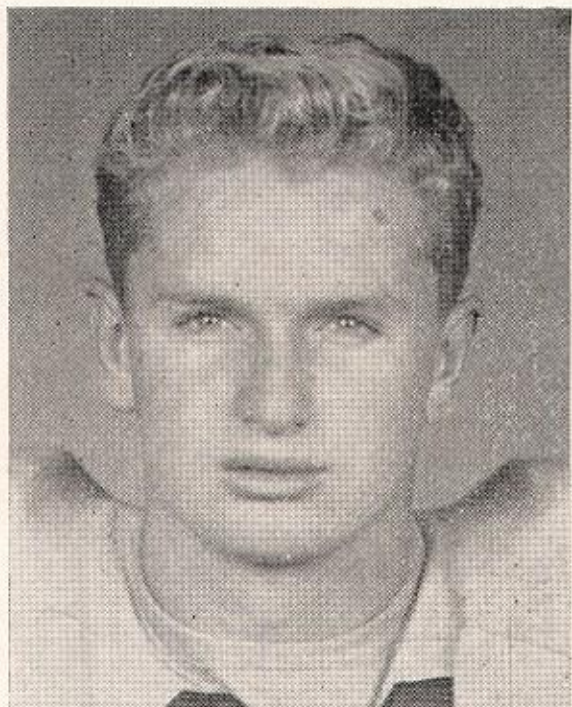
They concluded the season with a six won and three loss record. Four of these wins were against conference competition, enabling the Spartans to finish the season in a tie for third place.

During the season, many boys received special recognition. Among these were Tedford, Hodge, Quinn, Trapp, Hagen and Thompson. Dick Hardesty and Bob Thompson were chosen the co-captains of this year's team. Bud Quinn was elected

the most valuable player of the team and received the Cassius Conrad Trophy.

We had an excellent team this season and we only hope that the teams of future seasons will be as successful as this one was.

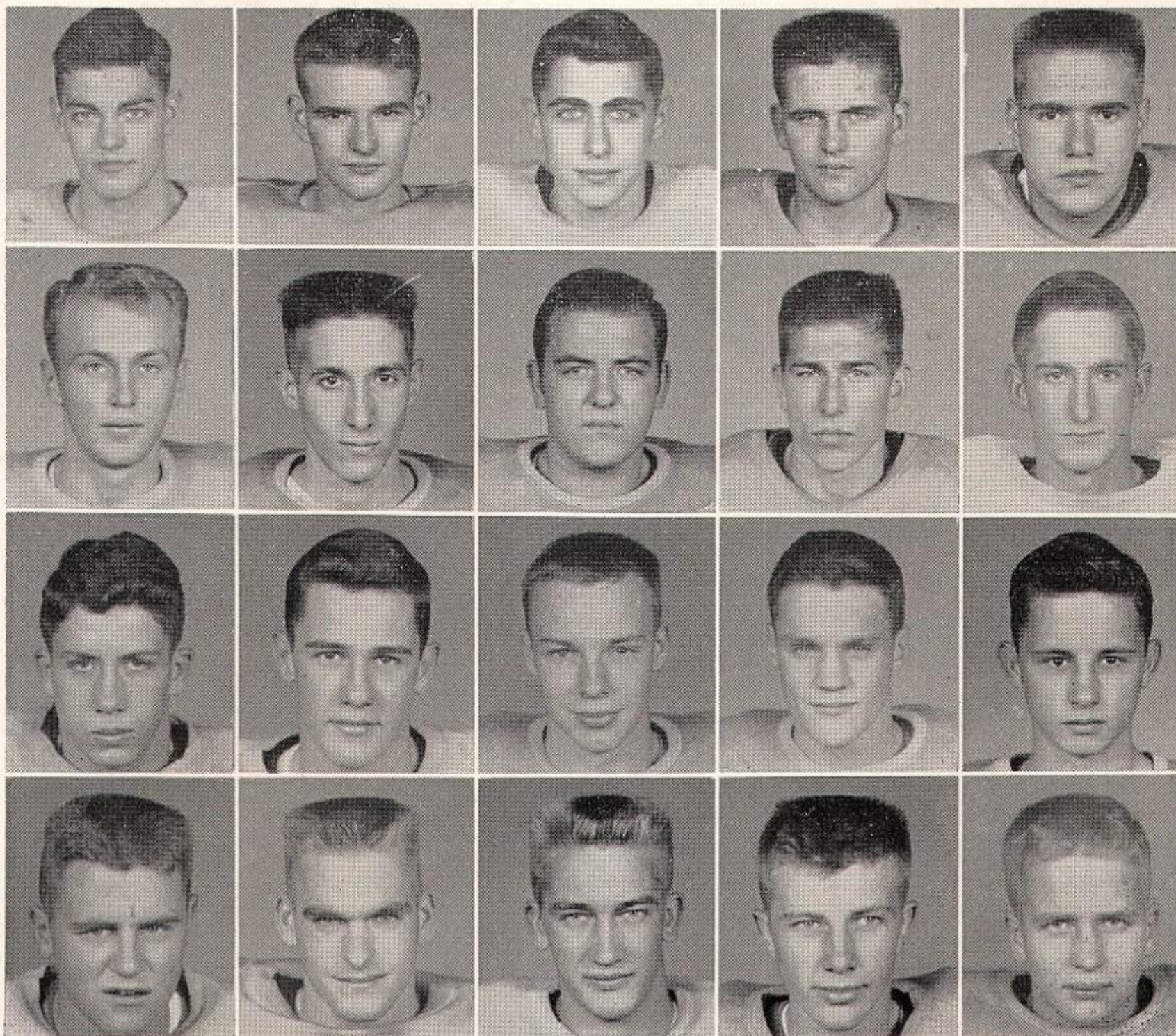
Sycamore 27	Sandwich 6
Sycamore 20	Rochelle 13
Sycamore 24	Dundee 7
Sycamore 31	Geneva 12
Sycamore 0	St. Charles 13
Sycamore 0	Naperville 27
Sycamore 13	West Chicago 7
Sycamore 6	Wheaton 25
Sycamore 24	Batavia 20



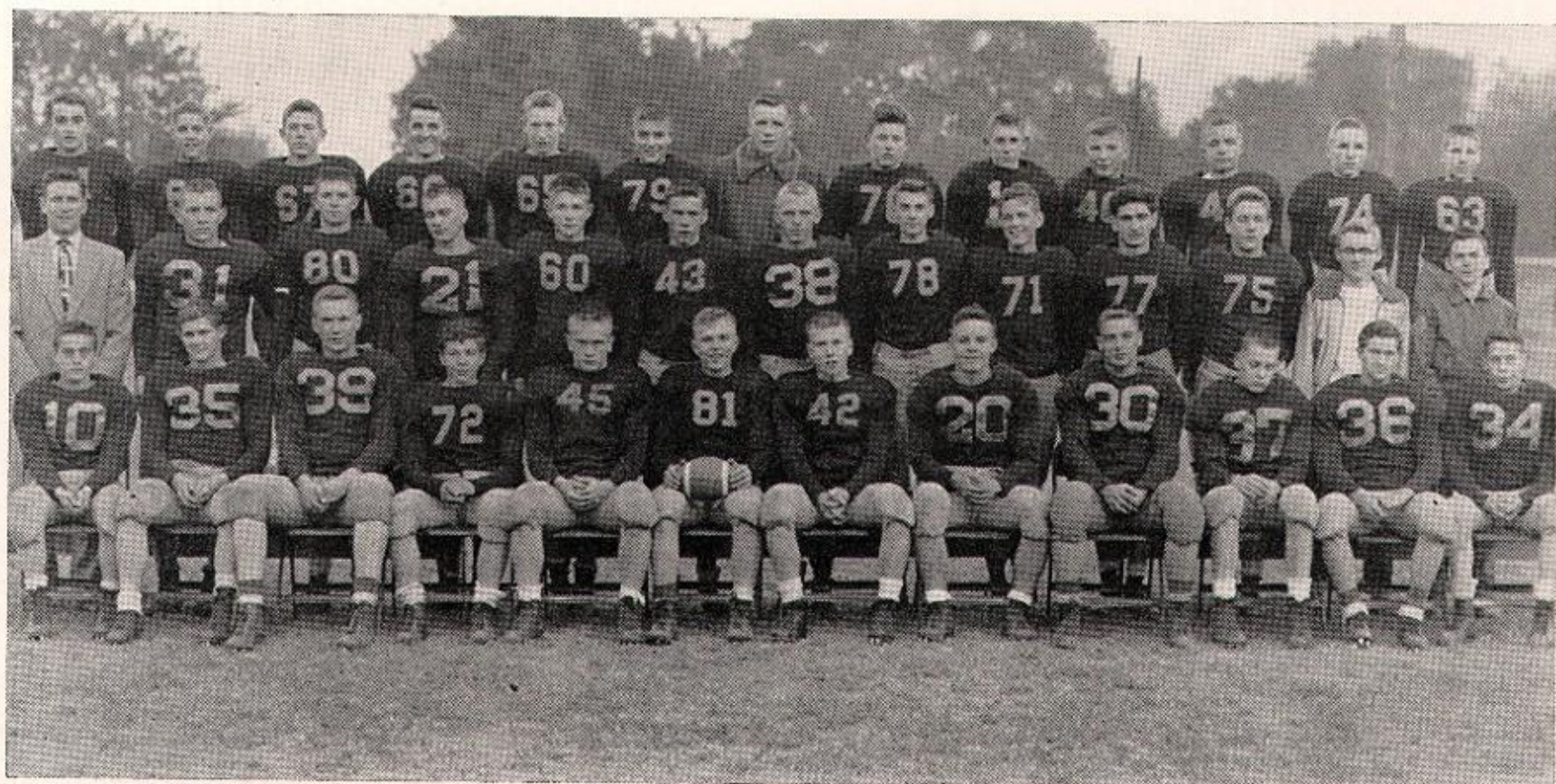
Most Valuable Player

B. Quinn

Row 1: G. Sallberg, F. Binder, J. Schmitt, D. Hardesty, R. Thompson. **Row 2:** D. Tucker, J. Spoor, N. Van Meter, T. Brotcke, G. Yunker. **Row 3:** R. Tedford, J. Lee, S. George, B. Trapp, G. Benson. **Row 4:** D. Nowlen, P. Hodge, B. Lenschow, L. Powell, D. Hagen.



Athletics



Row 1: J. Florent, R. Ferguson, J. Foster, D. Wirsing, R. Lindgren, J. Tucker, G. Swanson, R. Larson, M. Carpenter, L. Ross, C. Gibbens, L. Mathey. **Row 2:** Mr. Lukas, J. Racich, E. Troutman, R. Henigan, J. Thomas, J. Dunmore, R. Lindgren, J. Lindstrom, H. Peplow, R. Salemi, L. Glazer, R. Munson, R. Bowman. **Row 3:** J. Clark, C. Sibley, G. Holland, R. Minnihan, B. Lenschow, G. Thomas, A. Astling, P. O'Connor, R. Fredrick, M. Johnston, R. Bergquist, K. Parsons, D. Warner.

Frosh-Soph Football

A large number of boys reported to Mr. Lukas for football practice for this season.

The team had good fighting spirit and all worked hard together. Although they got off to a rather poor start, they progressed rapidly into a promising team. The team seemed to have a phobia for losing games by one point. In fact they lost four games by that heartbreaking point.

The boys in the line were of considerable size and proved to be very helpful in winning games.

There were several promising freshmen on the squad who will be of great value

next year. The remaining sophomores will graduate to the varsity squad. We appreciate the time and effort the boys have put forth for the sport.

SCORES

Sycamore 47	Sandwich 0
Sycamore 12	Rochelle 13
Sycamore 13	Dundee 14
Sycamore 20	Geneva 7
Sycamore 6	St. Charles 7
Sycamore 0	Naperville 20
Sycamore 27	W. Chicago 6
Sycamore 6	Wheaton 7
Sycamore 27	Batavia 20

Athletics

Although the junior high school football team didn't have a victorious season this year, they certainly learned the fundamentals of the game from their coach, Mr. Wennlund. The importance of good sportsmanship and team spirit were especially stressed.

The boys were of small size, but they made up for this lack by their fighting spirit and enthusiasm. This asset proved to be very valuable this year and will help them extensively in their future years at Sycohi.

Many of these boys will be welcomed to the high school team next year and

the remaining underclassmen will have another year of training before they compete in high school athletics. They have certainly learned well the fundamentals which they have been taught. This will help them to produce another good team next year.

SCORES

Sycamore	0	.....	St. Charles	19
Sycamore	0	.....	Belvidere	44
Sycamore	6	.....	Crystal Lake	12
Sycamore	6	.....	Dundee	6
Sycamore	0	.....	Woodstock	26

Junior High Football

Row 1: E. Gaul, E. Butzow, L. Troutman, M. Brust, Mr. Wennlund, F. Coan, W. Johnson, J. Mandery, G. Phipps. **Row 2:** R Lashbrook, G. Smith, K. Davy, B. Smith. J. Trapp, J. Tomlinson, F. Brown, M. Bauer, R. Lahti, M. Carter, W. Burke. **Row 3:** G. Larson, W. Bergquist, R. Robinson, M Riffle, D. Ross, C. Healy, D. Garland, J. Thuma, G. Kitchen.



Athletics



Anticipation plus

Skartan Sports

Whoops, wrong man!

D. Tedford, Pete Johnson

Now hear this

Team's Huddle





Row 1: B. Quinn, B. Trapp, T. Ernest, D. Hardesty, J. Schmitt. **Row 2:** R. Winebrenner, P. Hodge, R. Hagen, J. Lee, S. George. **Row 3:** E. Safford, manager, F. Binder, Mr. Mathes, J. Shrout, manager, K. Lashbrook, manager.

Varsity Basketball

The Sycamore High School heavyweight basketball team, under the direction of Lee Mathes, demonstrated excellent ability and displayed their knowledge of good sportsmanship. Good performances included the Freeport and Wheaton upsets and the game probably most highly appreciated by the fans, the DeKalb slaughter.

Under the leadership of co-captains Joe Schmitt and Bud Quinn, the Spartans began their 22 game schedule on November 26, by beating Dixon. Coach Mathes' usual starting line-up was as follows: Trapp and Ernest forwards, Quinn and Schmitt, guards; and Hardesty at center. Hodge saw some action, despite injuries, and was a boost to the team spirit. Ernest and Schmitt were elected the most valuable players this season.

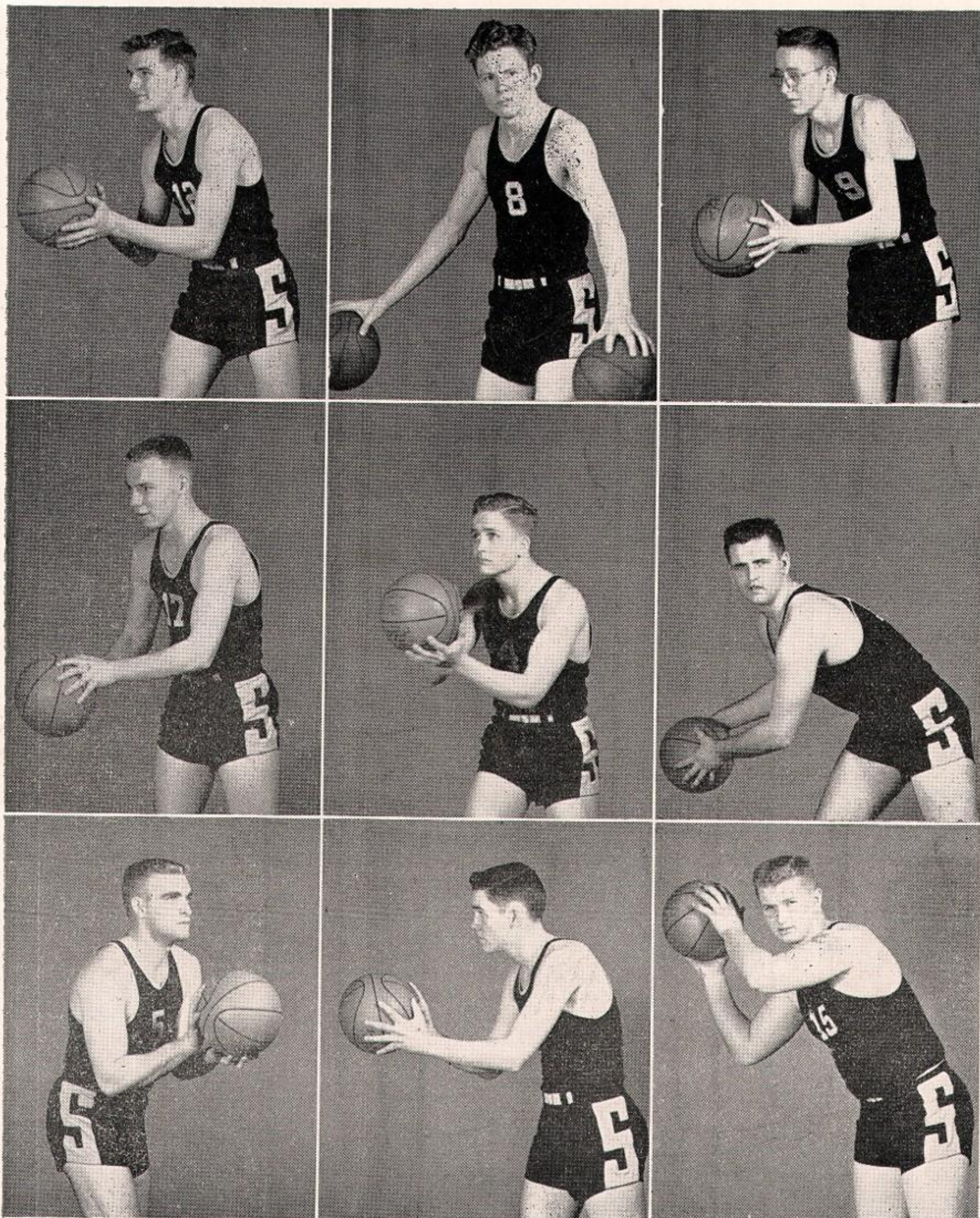
The first few games were marked by a

heart breaker at the hands of DeKalb, later avenged, and a relatively short appearance in the Annual Invitational Holiday Tournament at N.I.S.T.C. Kirkland cut short any hope the Spartans may have had of reaching the finals.

Going into the last part of the season the Spartans defeated Dundee to join the "We Beat Dundee Club", therefore became one of the few Sycohi teams not to be defeated twice by the same team in one season. The team finished third in the Little Seven Conference.

Next year's team will be without the seniors, who constituted four of the first five. However, there are many excellent boys and some good prospects moving up from Coach Johnson's ranks. We think of the past season as a successful one, but we look to the future for a more successful basketball season.

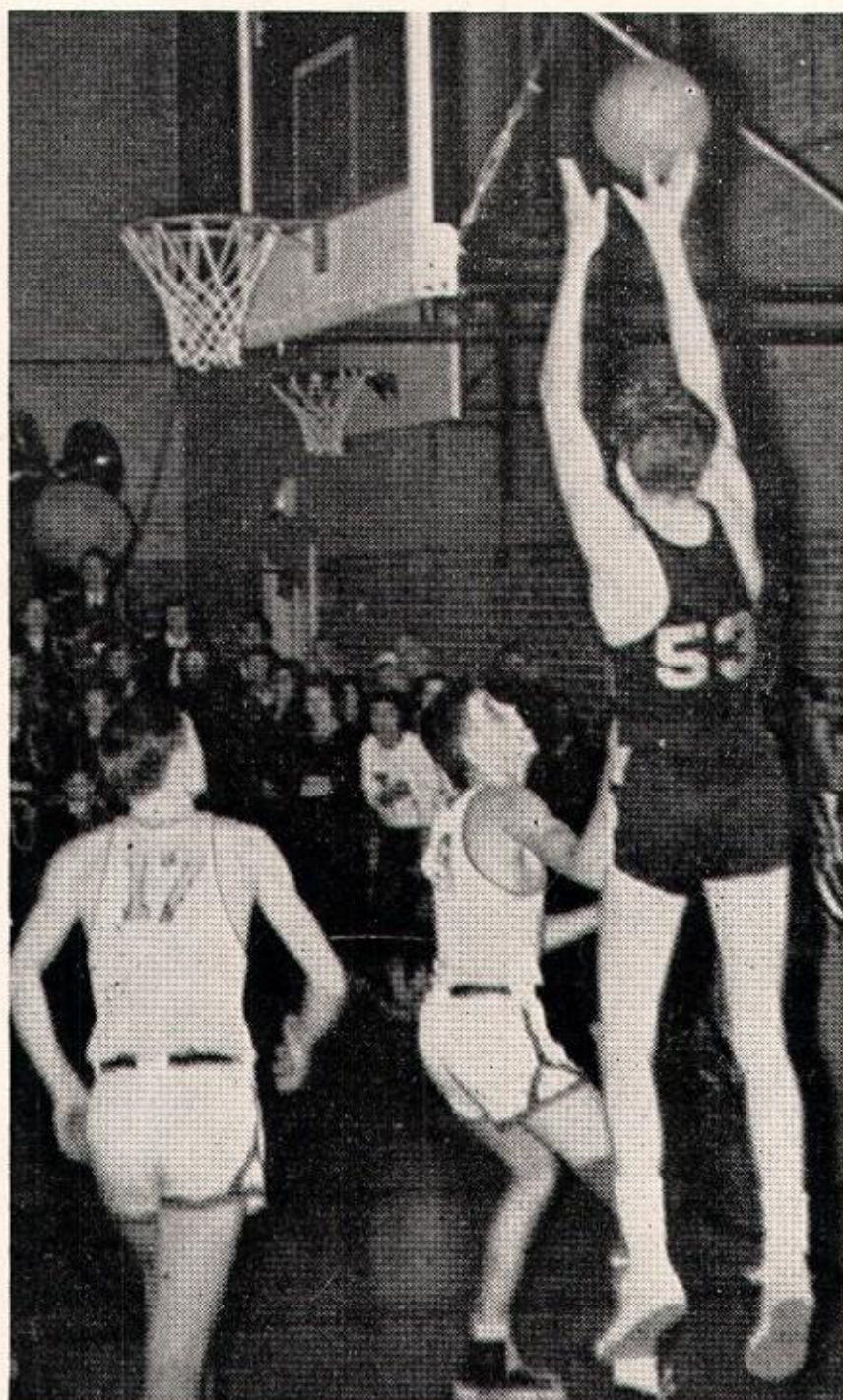
Athletics



Franklin Binder
Steve George
Pete Hodge

Terry Ernest
Dick Hagen
Jim Lee

Lowell Evans
Dick Hardesty
Bud Quinn



Varsity Record

Sycamore 63	.....	Dixon 55
Sycamore 61	.....	Rochelle 54
Sycamore 63	.....	Batavia 39
Sycamore 63	.....	DeKalb 64
Sycamore 41	.....	Naperville 48
Sycamore 45	.....	West Aurora 51
Sycamore 65	.....	St. Charles 60
Sycamore 69	.....	Geneva 63

DeKalb Holiday Tournament

Sycamore 66	.....	West Chicago 48
Sycamore 67	.....	Freeport 63
Sycamore 39	.....	Dundee 58
Sycamore 33	.....	Wheaton 54
Sycamore 65	.....	Batavia 58
Sycamore 75	.....	DeKalb 61
Sycamore 63	.....	Naperville 49
Sycamore 45	.....	St. Charles 49
Sycamore 53	.....	Geneva 74
Sycamore 68	.....	West Chicago 76
Sycamore 53	.....	Dundee 38
Sycamore 73		Wheaton 63

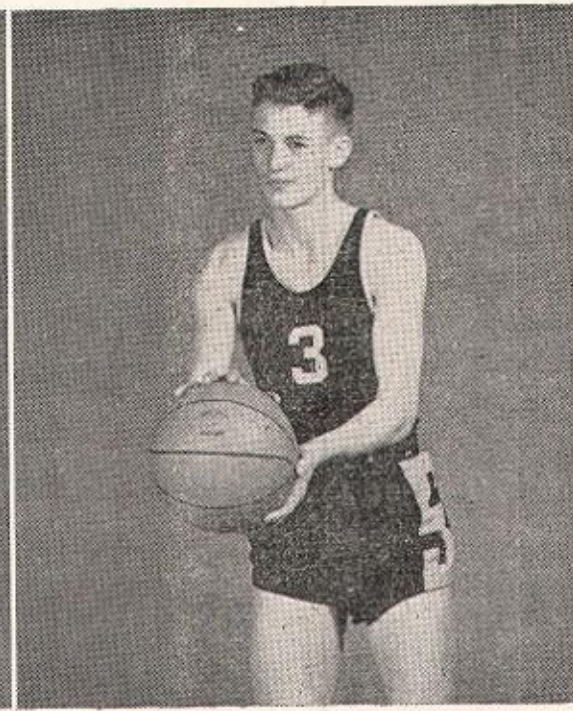
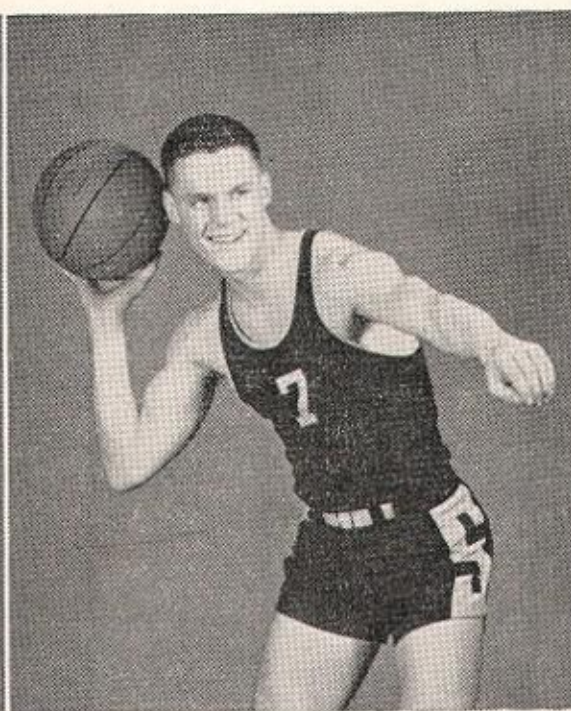
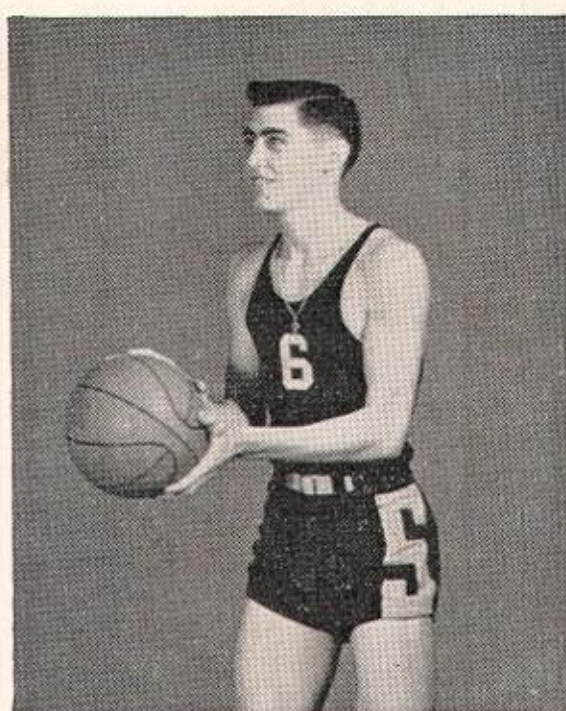
Genoa Regional Tournament

Sycamore 57		Hampshire 60
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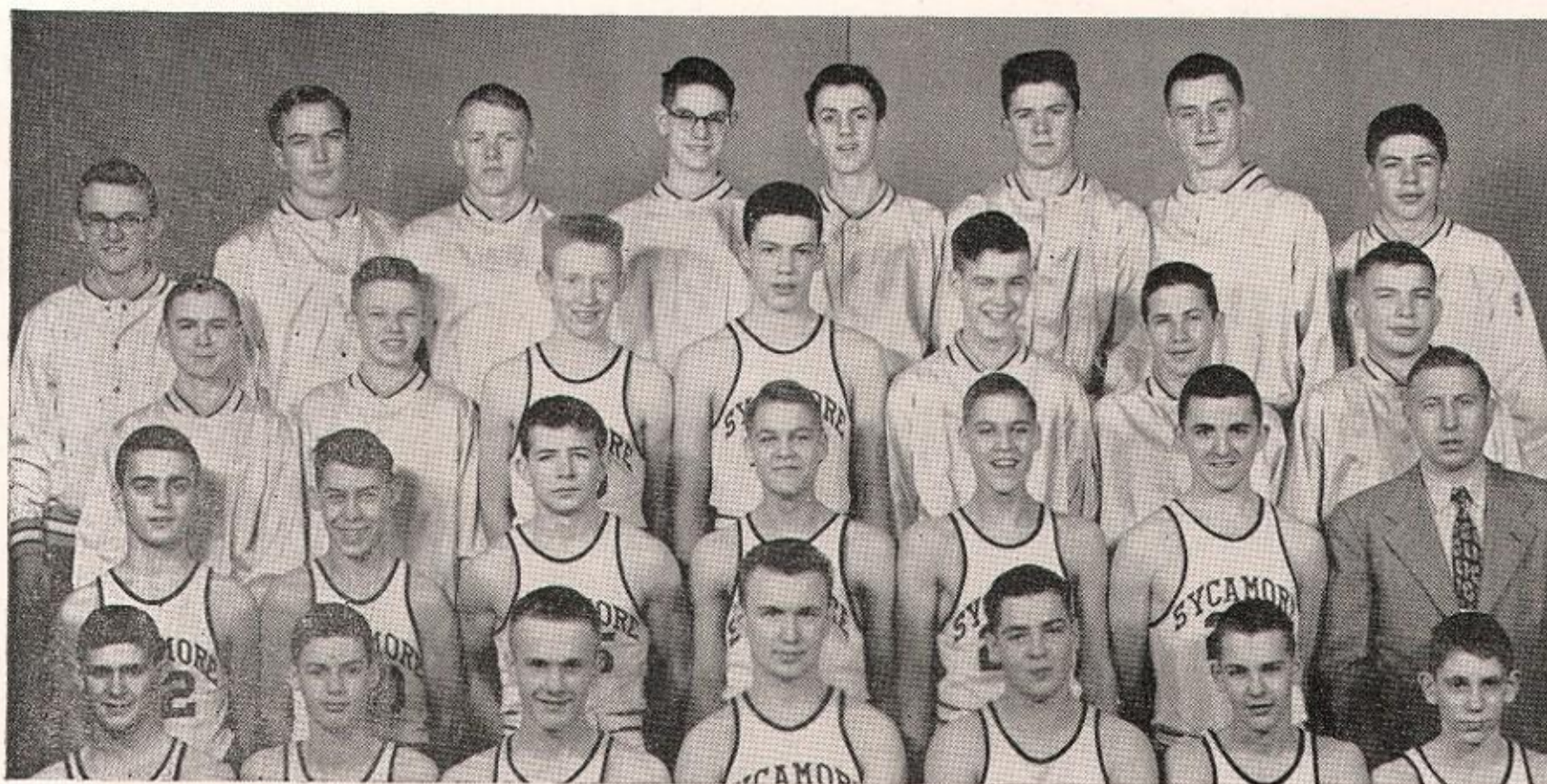
Joe Schmitt

Bud Trapp

Ron Winebrenner



Athletics



Row 1: R. Ferguson, G. Behler, B. Lindgren, J. Foster, M. Carpenter, L. Ross, B. Fredericks. **Row 2:** J. Florent, L. Mathey, L. Coan, C. Sibley, F. Sibley, R. Minnihan, Mr. Johnson. **Row 3:** R. Bowman, O. Nordgren, B. Lenschow, J. Dunmore, H. Peplow, D. Warner, M. Johnston. **Row 4:** R. Munson, R. Henigan, D. Lindgren, H. Thomas, J. Lindstrom, E. Troutman, D. Drenckpohl, D. Wirsing.

Frosh-Soph Basketball

A large number of boys reported to Mr. Johnson again this year for the Frosh-Soph basketball team. This necessitated two teams, the regular team and the freshman squad. This was done in order that all of the boys would get a chance to play.

This year was quite successful in the won and lost column and therefore they finished third in the Little Seven Conference race. The boys also participated in the Belvidere tournaments again. They lost in the initial race to DeKalb, but won the consolation bracket by defeating E. Aurora. As captain of the team, Marshall Carpenter, on behalf of the team, presented their trophy to Mr. Shrout at the award assembly.

The two DeKalb tangles will not be forgotten by anyone for quite a while. Sycohi lost the first meet by one heart-breaking point, but later avenged this loss by defeating the Barblets by 16 points. Although they were again defeated by DeKalb in the tournaments, their three

wins overshadowed their loss. We are very proud of the boys for their comeback.

Jim Foster will be remembered by many a team as the "giant" from Sycamore. Bert Fredrick was another of the outstanding members of the Spartlets. Both of these boys will be back again next year to supplement the team on their road to victory. Captain Marshall Carpenter was noted for being a good shot and rebounder; Larry Ross was fast and good on defensive work; and Bob Ferguson had team spirit and was a play maker. These three along with others will be greatly missed, but we look forward to seeing them on the varsity next year.

The rest of the team should be commended for their fine work to help become a winning team. They all tried hard and we couldn't have accomplished anything without their support and backing. We all appreciate their fighting spirit, good sportsmanship and ability in the game of basketball.

More hardware

Mr. Johnson, M. Carpenter,
Mr. Shrout



Frosh-Soph Record

Sycamore 41	Dixon 27
Sycamore 50	Rochelle 42
Sycamore 28	Batavia 29
Sycamore 47	DeKalb 31
Sycamore 51	Naperville 31
Sycamore 23	W. Aurora 43
Sycamore 58	St. Charles 32
Sycamore 57	Geneva 36
Sycamore 49	W. Chicago 34
Sycamore 38	Freeport 34
Sycamore 38	Dundee 47
Sycamore 46	Wheaton 35
Sycamore 51	Batavia 49

Sycamore 34	DeKalb 38
Sycamore 48	Naperville 49
Sycamore 70	St. Charles 45
Sycamore 64	Geneva 54
Sycamore 71	W. Chicago 58
Sycamore 38	Dundee 33
Sycamore 53	Wheaton 56

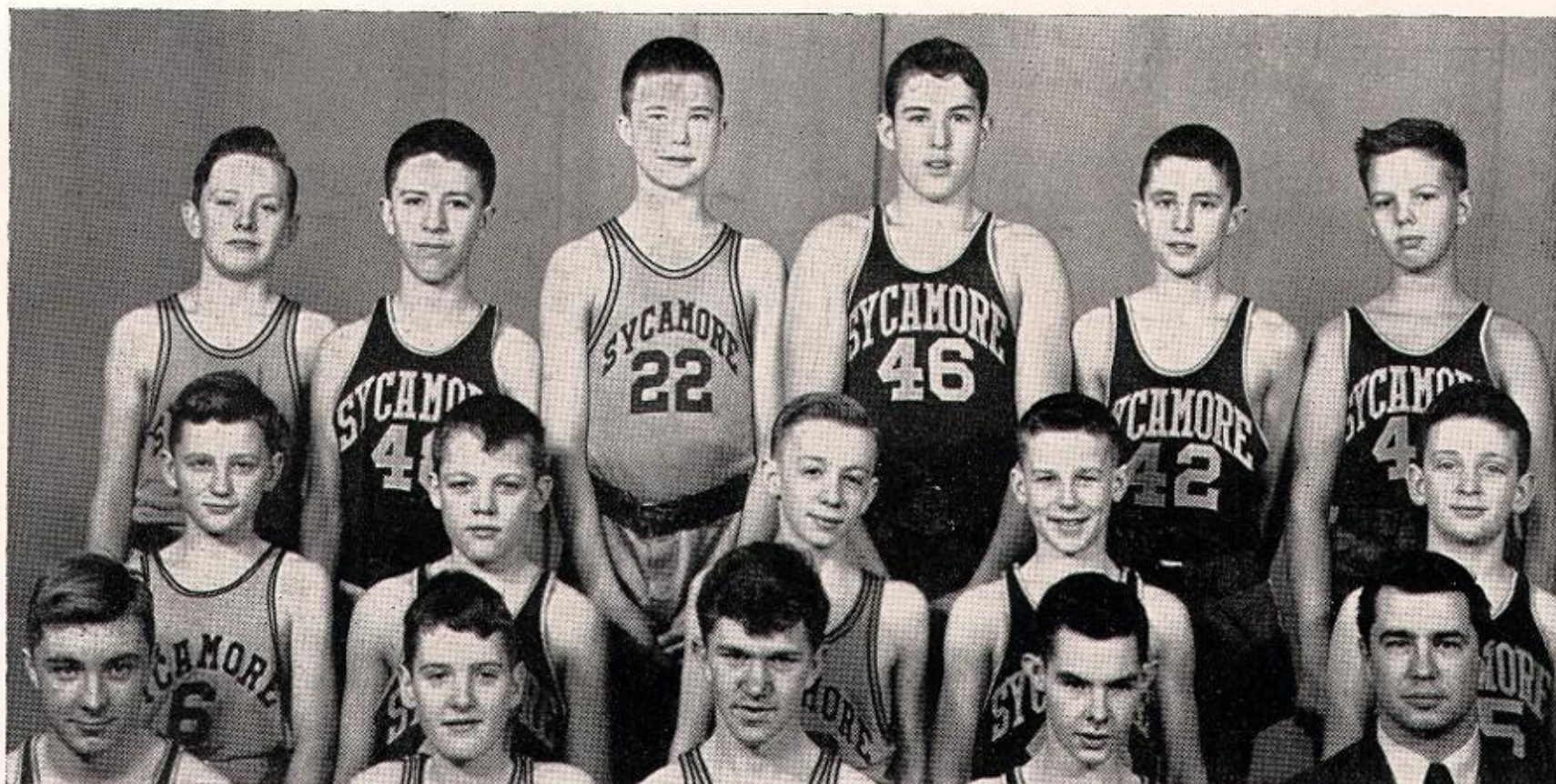
Frosh-Soph Tournament

Sycamore 53	Leyden 51
Sycamore 53	Elgin 51
Sycamore 26	DeKalb 43

Consolation

Sycamore 56	E. Aurora 36
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Athletics



Row 1: E. Gaul, J. Buck, L. Troutman, H. Brasel, Mr. Wennlund. **Row 2:** L. Linden, R. Robinson, E. Rhodes, D. Ross, J. Kitchen. **Row 3:** R. Marshall, J. Hasty, W. Johnson, M. Brust, J. Mulligan, R. Lahti.

Eighth Grade Basketball

Coach Wennlund's 1952-53 eighth grade basketball team was a very scrappy one. The boys made up for their lack of size in their fighting spirit.

Practice sessions were devoted largely to the fundamentals of the game, team play, and the study of the rules of good sportsmanship.

The Sycamore Invitational Tournament was also held again this year. Their tournament team consisted of T. Kitchen, M. Brust, D. Rose, J. Hasty and R. Robinson. J. Mulligan and R. Lahti were also contenders for the starting five. Tournaments give the boys a chance to play with various schools and also gives them confidence.

Although the team did not do so well in the won and loss column, they certainly showed fine ability and knowledge of the necessary skills required in the game of basketball.

Sycamore 17	.....	Kirkland 21
Sycamore 37	.....	Genoa 24
Sycamore 21	.....	Aurora 41
Sycamore 40	.....	Geneva 37
Sycamore 29	.....	Belvidere 38
Sycamore 35	.....	Kirkland 40
Sycamore 57	.....	Aurora 60
Sycamore 28	.....	Belvidere 29
Sycamore 35	.....	Malta 31

Sycamore Invitational Tournament

Sycamore 32	.....	Burlington 15
Sycamore 22	.....	Belvidere 48

The seventh grade basketball team, coached by Mr. Wennlund, had a very successful season, winning five out of six games. They showed a great amount of pep and enthusiasm throughout the entire season. Also evident was some skill which will aid next year's eighth grade and, we hope, future high school teams.

The team was made up of boys who wanted to learn the fundamental skills of the game so that they will qualify for high school activities. It was partly their desire to learn that helped them to do so well.

They started the season by beating Genoa twice by over-whelming scores.

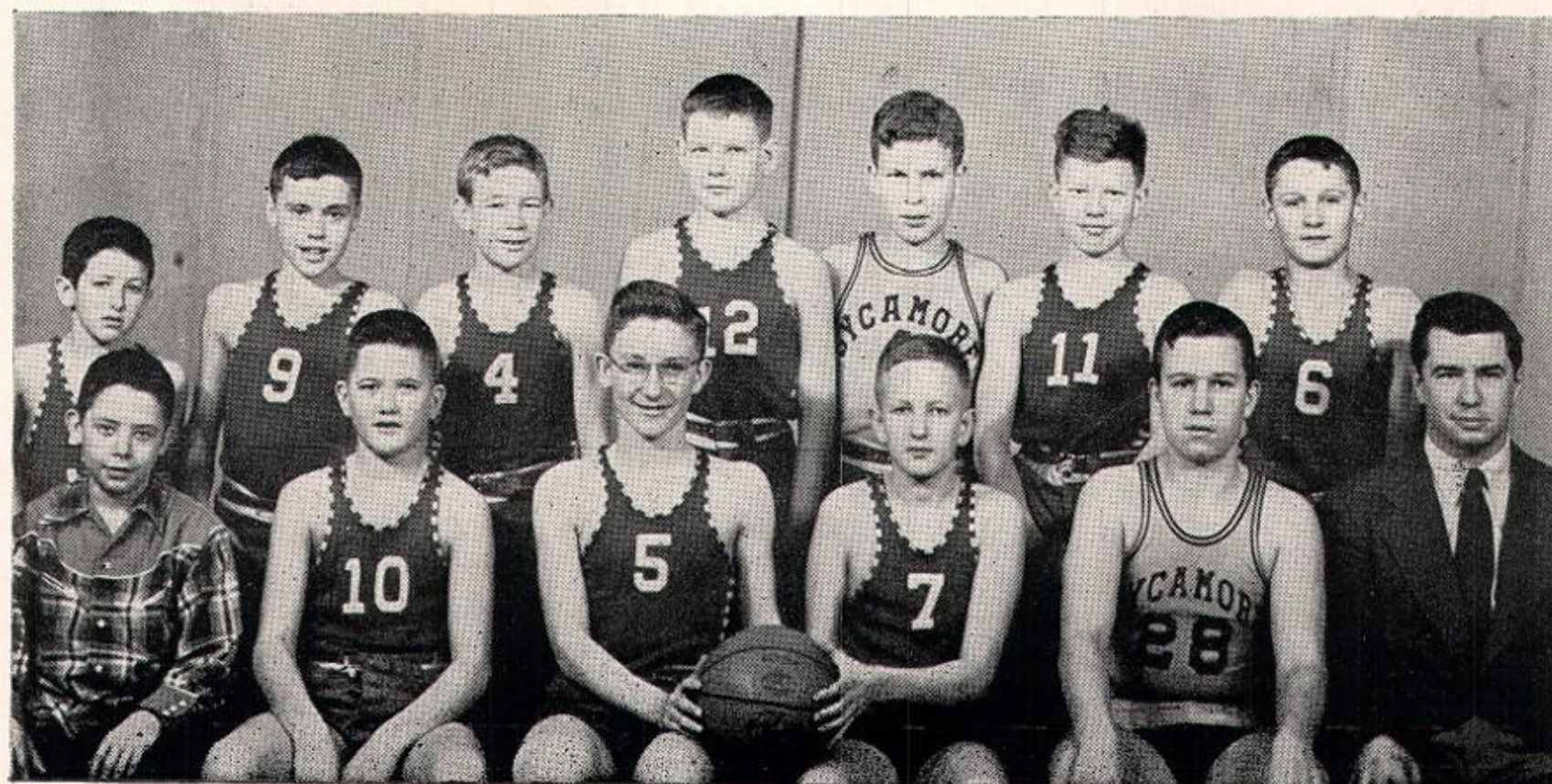
However, a defeat by a taller Belvidere team followed. They avenged this defeat and squeezed past the Bucs in probably their best game by a thrilling 21 to 17 score. Then, back in their old form, they pushed past Kirkland and Malta by large margins.

The boys, enthused over the game, are looking forward to playing eighth grade basketball.

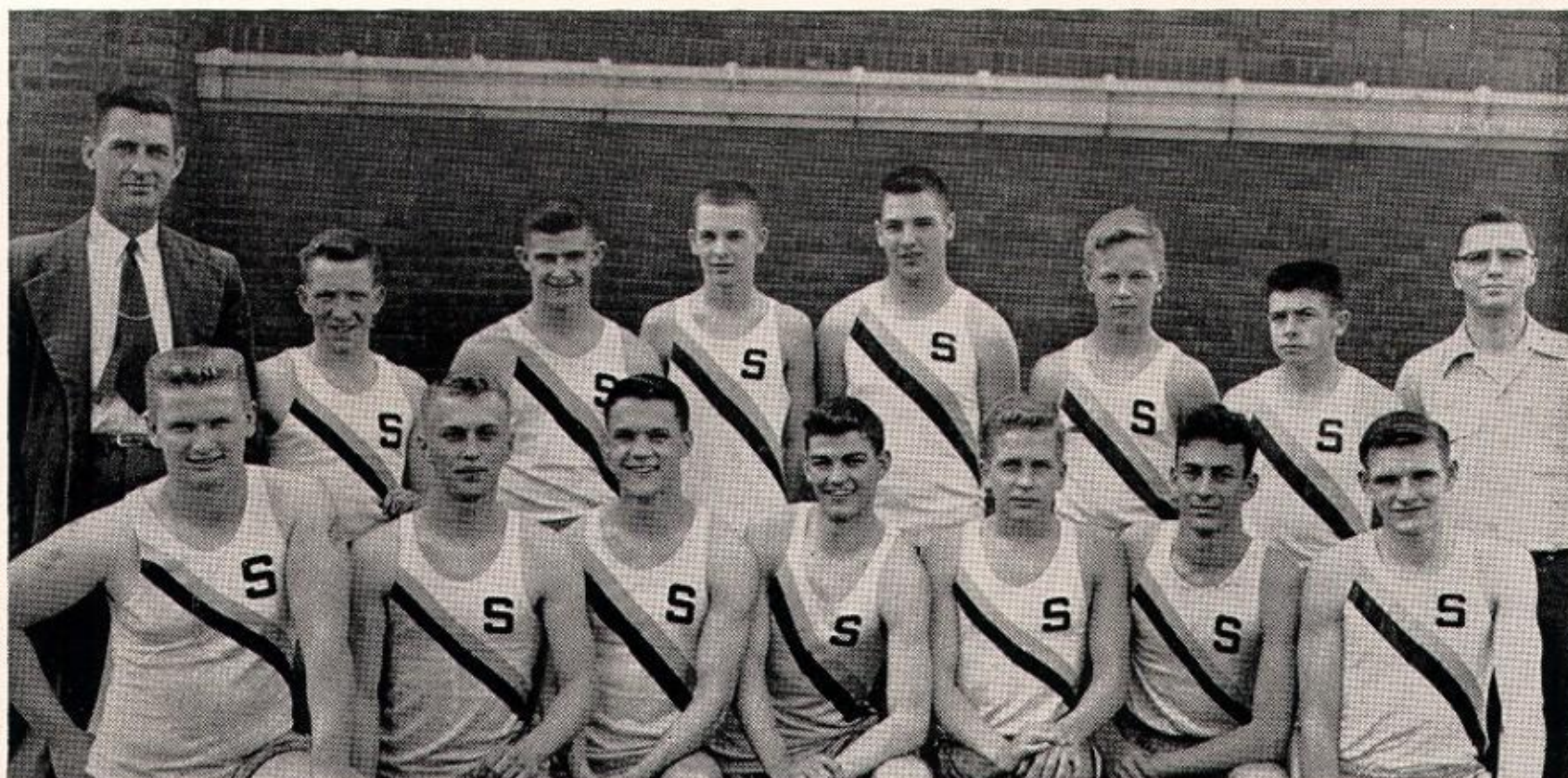
Sycamore 24	.....	Genoa 5
Sycamore 26	.....	Genoa 5
Sycamore 11	.....	Belvidere 28
Sycamore 21	.....	Belvidere 17
Sycamore 23	.....	Kirkland 8
Sycamore 31	.....	Malta 10

Seventh Grade Basketball

Row 1: J. Larson, P. Johnson, D. Gaul, K. Bellendorf, E. Butzow, Mr. Wennlund.
Row 2: R. Lashbrook, A. Burke, L. Sherrill, P. Clawson, M. Gustafson, S. Albrecht, G. Smith.



Athletics



Row 1: B. Quinn, D. Tucker, B. Trapp, G. Sallberg, D. Hagen, J. Elliott, F. Binder.
Row 2: Mr. Mathes, J. Hooker, R. Ferguson, L. Ross, M. Carpenter, G. Lalley, K. Lashbrook, J. Shrout.

Varsity Track

Frosh-Soph Track

Row 1: R. Larson, J. Lindstrom, J. Dunmore, J. Foster, R. Henigan, D. Drenckpohl, G. Behler. **Row 2:** L. Doty, J. Florent, R. Nordgren, D. Warner, E. Butzow, P. O'Connor, R. Fredrick, M. Johnston, Mr. Johnson.





A last look

Remember these paths?

Sept. 3—Excited students battled the book exchange, hashed over summer gossip and settled down once again to another year at Sycohi.

Sept. 25—We donned our brightest smiles and polished up our best selling techniques as we launched the annual magazine drive. "Get a load of those prizes!"

Oct. 2—A roaring bonfire, cheers, a peppy band and a winding snake dance officially opened the 1953 Homecoming activities.

Oct. 3—Homecoming was complete with a parade, lovely queens, and a football victory followed by a dance, as tired Sycohi students welcomed the alumni back.

Oct. 6-7—Underclassmen stared aghast at lovely senior girls and distinguished senior men as they prepared for those pictures.

Oct. 10—Sycohi students held conferences with college and university representatives today at DeKalb.

Oct. 27—Frightened freshmen nervously asked, "T.B. or not T.B., that is the congestion. Consumption be done?" And the doctors quipped, "Of cough, of cough!" as they gave T.B. tests today.

Oct. 29—Juniors sharpened their pencils and their wits as they prepared to take the University of Illinois tests.

Nov. 13—New members were inducted into the National Honor Society. Goals achieved—challenges to meet!

Nov. 15—Daisy Maes got their Lil' Abners, down Dog Patch way, at the Sadie Hawkins Dance. Nice work, F. H. A.

Nov. 21-22—After many late nights of rehearsal, lighting, setting, property, and headaches, the senior class presented "The Curious Savage."

Nov. 27-28—Only one thought prevails, turkey and Thanksgiving vacation!

Dec. 3—The F. F. A. departed for the International Live Stock Show leaving the other green-eyed students to their books.

Calendar



Gurgling guys

Dec. 6—Tonight the Pep Club presented the "Kandy Kapers" Christmas dance.

Dec. 9—Old Man Gloom reigned over Sycohi as DeKalb beat Sycamore 64-63 in an electrifying basketball game!

Jan. 15-16—Semester exams were days of sadness as Chemistry students groaned, "Oh those valences", and Latin students walked about mumbling, "amo, amas, amat,—"

The winners



Jan. 27—Revenge is sweet! Sycamore-ans gloated in glory as they beat the Barbs 75-61. Good work fellas.

Feb. 3—Students and faculty alike sat spellbound this afternoon as they listened to that wonderful Negro singer, Pruth McFarland.

Feb. 21—Yes, it was "Some Enchanted Evening" as starry-eyed couples floated

There'll be a hot time tonight!





Our Buddy

dreamily in a world of make believe. It was another beautifully decorated G. A. A. dance.

Mar. 2—A Candlelight induction ceremony was held tonight at P. T. A. for the new National Honor Society members.

Mar. 3—This marked the openings of the varsity regional tournaments and the Belvidere tournaments for the light-weights.

Mar. 14—We warmed up our instruments and exercised our vocal cords at the District Music Contest. Congratulations for the department's fine work.

April 2-6—At last Sycohi students got their long awaited spring rest and a chance to flirt with the Easter bunny.

April 16—Biology students rubbed their hands with glee and at last consented to

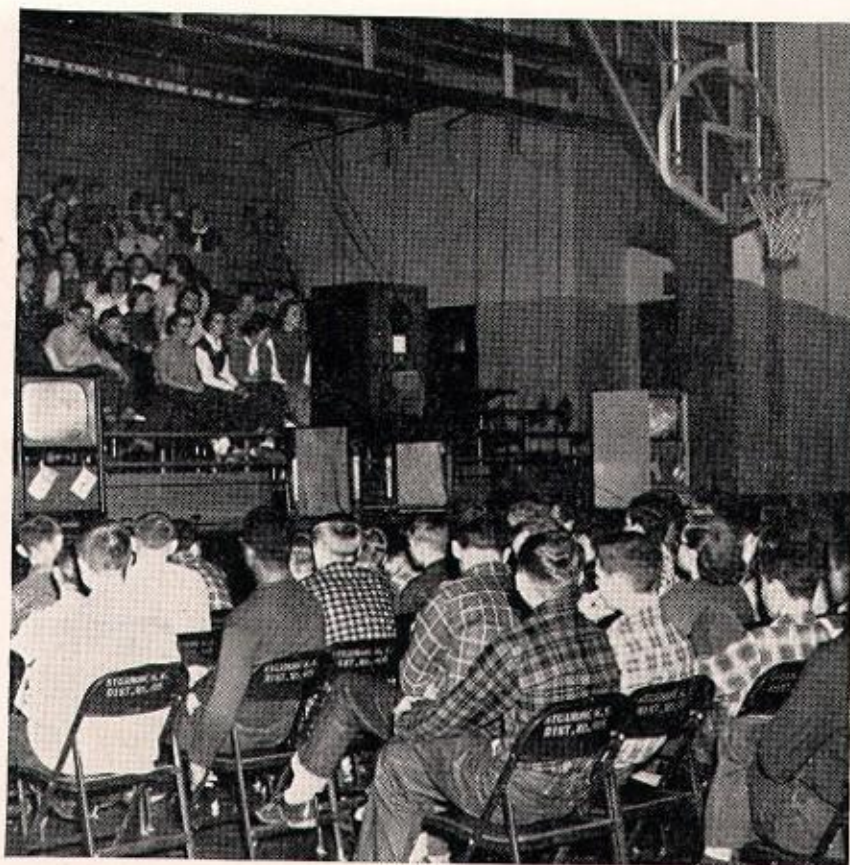
Pop's project



Merry Xmas



Calendar



Peeping toms

take the coaxing Mr. Terrell on another field trip!

April 17—Boy-Girl week was officially opened today as anxious politicians filed their petitions and organized their parties. This proved to be very interesting!

April 23—It was Femmecrats vs. Bene-crats vs. Best Deal party today when spirited campaign speeches attempted to

influence voting students in tomorrow's election.

April 25—Sycohi fellas and gals both had a day of sports at the Palatine Relays and the G. A. A. play day.

April 29—Seniors bade farewell to jealous underclassmen as they embarked on their annual B. I. E. trips through local industry.

Guys and Dolls





Cherchez la femme!

April 30—The successful candidates of Boy-Girl Week were entertained at the Rotary luncheon at which time they gave their campaign speeches.

May 1-2—Participants who took first place at the District Music Contest left for a two day stay at Clinton for the finals. Nice going kids!

May 7—The students not only looked

lovely in swirling pastel formals, snappy band uniforms, and white shirts, but also sang and played well at the Spring Concert this evening.

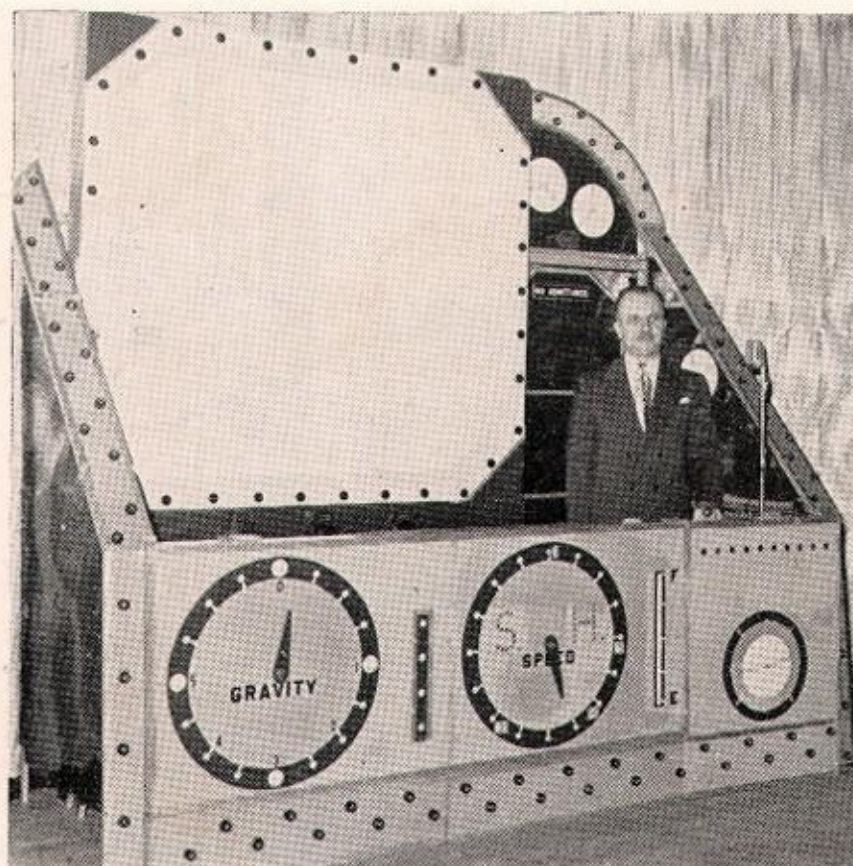
May 8—Eighth grade boys spruced up a bit and called for their lovely ladies. The cafeteria was beautifully decorated for their annual dance. This is an event which will not be forgotten for some time.

Autograph hounds

Wesleyan, here I come



Calendar



Trip to Mars

May 9—Soft lights and music, billowing dresses, pastel streamers, glittering stars and handsome escorts all whispered "Orchids to You". This was a beautiful prom and a night to remember.

May 11—Following the brutalities of a previous Spartan initiation, both new and old members and their guests were royally entertained at the annual Spartan banquet.

May 13—The foods classes left for Chicago today. Those lucky girls!

May 15—The seniors welcomed the incoming freshmen and left various idiosyncrasies to the underclassmen in their class will. Yes, it was a day of honors and recognition.

May 22—Today is the Little Seven

U-u-u-gh

I dare you





Strings attached



Ouch, my toe!

Track Meet at Batavia. Bring home the bacon boys!

May 31—Baccalaureate tonight. Is my gown wrinkled? Cap on straight? Listen, the processional. The seniors saw another milestone approach, shimmer for a moment and then pass into a pleasant memory.

June 2-3—Final proof and final exams.

Holy smoke, look at this trig problem!

June 4—Commencement — a day for proud parents and hopeful seniors. Shall we say, a little dignity, a little sadness.

June 5—We dash back to get our grades and then abandon the halls of Sycohi for a summer rest and a hush of silence with whispering memories settling over our alma mater.

Leslie's penthouse



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